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SUBMITTED THEIR BRIEFS.

THE EXPRESS COMPANIES FILE THEM ACCORDING TO ORDERS

They Want to Know "Does the Interstate Commerce Act of Congress Apply to the Express Companies"—Hundreds of Express Companies Interested

NEW YORK Sept. 2.—In June last the interstate commerce commissioners ordered the express companies to file with them on September 1, briefs on "is the Federal law regulating interstate commerce applicable to express companies?" Upon receipt of this order all the express companies set about, through their respective legal counsellors, to do it. Yesterday Clarence Seward for the Adams Express company Mr McFarland for the United States Express company, Mr Chisholm for the Southern, Mr Conroy for the National and American Express companies and Messrs. Blanding & Hilbury for Wells Fargo & Co submitted their briefs to the commissioners. Mr Seward in his opinion expresses himself substantially as the other legal gentlemen in theirs so that in setting forth the contents of his letter the substance of the others are copied here

Mr Seward starts with Adams Express company not a corporation, but a copartnership asks an opinion in these words

Does this interstate commerce act of congress apply to express companies?

The broadly stated and standing alone the question requires a consideration whether persons carrying on the express business are as customers and employes of railroads entitled to invoke the provisions of the act against interstate carriers as passengers and shippers of freight in a general way do

A communication from the interstate commission inclosed with the letter of inquiry makes it quite clear, however that the real question of the company may be stated thus Does the act point out or include those doing express business as themselves common carriers of the description and having the attributes relationships and powers of those carriers upon and against whom exclusively the act operates? However confident may be the belief of those who hold out that regarded either in a negative or a positive aspect the act is incapable of such a construction. The commission as appears from the letter of its secretary deems the matter one of serious doubt and deserving serious examination. The act is prohibitory and penal. It is to be read with the strictness and rigor with which penal statues and disenabling enactments are read by courts this rule of construction is decisive against much latitute permissable respecting provision of other kinds

Various acts of congress some of them years ago had recognized express companies and their peculiar specie of service, so distinct and marked in its character. In the words of Mr Justice Miller nearly a year before the interstate commerce act was adopted the radical destruction and antagonism between railroads and express companies came before the supreme court of the United States in a searching inquiry and in these cases directly as the point in judgment were involved provisions both of constitutions and of statues where are found near equivalents, mutatis mutandis of those now in question in respect to the application to express companies and to express business of language descriptive of railroad rates freight etc. The court emphasized in various forms the wide distinction in law and fact between railroad companies and companies doing express business and also between those carrying on express business and shippers of freight in general

In the presence of these facts if the congress did not use apt terms to embrace express companies—if on the other hand language was used which read by the light of these then recent and conspicuous judicial discussion would plainly fail to embrace express companies it would seem hardly possible to ascribe to the law making power an intention to deal with them. The Adams Express company is thus destitute of ownership power and control and it may also be safely said that no express company whatever as such owns or operates a railroad. Looking at the statute without the aid of these considerations or of any canon of construction it is obvious that express companies are now here named or in terms referred to and Adams Express company has no charter franchise or right to take tolls or to run or operate any railroad or transportation route. It is not the creature of the state nor is it the recipient of any grant or other from the state. It is a mere firm of individuals. There are a few isolated instances of incorporated express companies in the United States. In this last distinction the company must be treated by itself. It has no more power over the fares or freights or charges or management of any line of freight or travel than any other mercantile firm shipper or passenger

It is not even a shipper or passenger in the legal sense as the supreme court has decided. It is a contractor with railroads and steamboats for the carriage of its messengers of money valuables and securities in the care of the latter. So special and unlike freighting or shipping is the thing it does that except by voluntary and previously obtained consent and under charges agreed upon it cannot enter a railroad car or put a parcel on it.

About 40 per cent of gross receipts of the express companies is consumed by the railroad or water carriages for which it pays. Fifty per cent is consumed by the cost of gathering by wagons and messengers the articles or commission confided to it releasing, as the company does in advance, the railroad from all liability for losses or accidents to property while in transitu, it becomes its own insurer, and the remaining 10 per cent of gross receipts responds to this risk and cost and so much as remains goes to the profits of the business. The company in short acts as middlemen in almost every specie of errands and exchange.

At this point the question arises whether the interstate commerce act is directed only at the owners and managers of vehicles or instrumentalities of transportation and intended to reach only their charges to the public or whether secondary charges made by others charges not alone or even chiefly for any service procured from such owners or managers can also be swept in the reach of the act all puzzling inquiries disappear in the presence of a single consideration. The commerce act regulates those whose compensation and whose right to exact it has been created or authorized by law on behalf of the public, and the object of the act is to protect the public. The common law gave the power to exact toll. In a republic to exact toll resides in the legislature, which, in turn, has a power to bestow it on a corporation, but always subject to the right of the supreme power, the legislature, which personates the people, to control its use. It was in the exercise of this power and in no other domain of legislative power that congress enacted the interstate commerce bill and it is believed that the act is plainly confined to this purpose and domain.

It results, of course, as the conclusion of this opinion, that the Adams Express company is not in sense one of the common carriers to whom the interstate commerce act in any way relates. The matter is so grave and the considerations so large entered into an assertion by the commission of jurisdiction over the hundreds of express companies existing in the country with their vast capital and relationships that all will agree in no instance could readily be supposed more appropriate for judicial action and construction

COAL MINERS' CONVENTION.

They Are Now Holding an Interesting Session at Harrisburg

HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept 2—A convention of the Miners' and Laborers' Amalgamated association was held in one of the committee rooms at the capitol yesterday. The anthracite and bituminous coal regions are both represented. The counties of Schuylkill, Northumberland, Columbia and Luzerne having sent delegates from the former, and Fayette to Westmoreland, Clearfield, Elk Jefferson and Clarion for the latter

President George Harris, of Reynoldsville called the convention to order and Secretary Richard Davis, of Harrisburg, read the call which included several subjects for consideration. The most important proposition, and that which has thus far held the attention of delegates, is one submitted by the executive board of the anthracite region at Pottsville. It contemplates the adoption of a new system of management for the state organ. It suggests the abolition of the present system entirely with salaried officers, and the substitution instead of a board of control or management, to consist of representatives from the several executive districts of the state, who shall meet at such time and place for the consideration of questions as required attention for the advancement of the interests of the association.

This board, it is intended, shall elect its own officers and at least one meeting shall be held annually at some certain point to be agreed upon. This board shall also have the selection of time and place for holding a state convention. It is further proposed that instead of a president and other officers on salary there shall be appointed an organizer, whose salary shall be paid by the districts to which he is called at any time for service. The expenses of the representatives of the board are to be borne by the executive district they represent. The representatives to the National federation shall be chosen by the several districts and questions of general interest pertaining to the federation shall be acted upon by the state board the same as other questions

There is some opposition to the proposition of which the foregoing is an outline, and the discussion continued throughout the afternoon. Those who favor the change argued in support of the adoption of the system that it will dispense with the per capita tax. Should the change not be made the convention will elect officers for the following year, hear the report of the legislative committee discuss the enforcement of the labor law with respect to semi monthly pay, and do some miscellaneous business before the adjournment day

The proposition to dispense with a state organization was finally defeated by a two thirds vote. When the convention reassembles to-day it is probable that the committee on resolutions will recommend a reduction of the salaries of the state officers.

FLOODS IN TEXAS.

Loss of Life and Destruction of Many Thousands in Property

MORGAN Tex Sept. 2—The hardest rain that ever fell in this county began Tuesday night and has continued without cessation. The damage to farmers in the low valley lands in every portion of the county is estimated at thousands of dollars. The Texas Central and the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe railways are badly damaged, and it will be many days before either of them can move trains

The following business houses, with all the goods went down Bosque river Sellers & Hamilton, dry goods store, Sam Franks groceries M McHall, grocers J H Justice saddle shop, Anderson furniture store and three cotton gins. Nine residences were washed away. Besides these houses which are already gone every house in the town is damaged. Life is all that many of the citizens have left. At Whitney, twenty two miles east in Hill county, a number of houses were washed away. At Meridian a man whose name could not be learned was swimming into his house to try and save some of the contents when the water became too swift for his strength forcing him into the current and drowning him.

Between here and Cleburne, a distance of thirty miles, there are eight washouts on the Santa Fe road. Three of the number are the large iron bridges which span the Nolam river at different points on the Texas Central between Morgan and Whitney. Two large iron bridges which have stood the storms for years are completely destroyed. Between here and Hico, on the Central road thirty one miles distant there are eleven bridges washed away. The loss to the railroad is over $100 000. No estimate can yet be made of the loss in small towns and to the farms

Oak Grove Seminary Burned.

WATERVILLE Me, Sept 2—The Oak Grove seminary at Vassalboro was burned Thursday morning. Stephen Jones, aged sixteen, perished. The building was occupied as a school by the Society of Friends.

The Earthquake Anniversary

CHARLESTON, S C, Sept 2—Probably nine tenths of the colored people in the city were out in the open air holding religious services Wednesday night. It was the first anniversary of the great earthquake

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON

SOME INTERESTING FIGURES ABOUT THE TREASURY

Alleged Illegal Cutting of Timber by Northern Pacific Contractors—The Mexican Insult Looked on as a Personal Affair—Other National News.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—The reduction of the public debt during the past month of August amounted to $4,809,475. The total debt now less cash in the treasury is $1 2[illegible], 774,336, and of this amount $1,060,853 712 is interest bearing debt. The net cash in the treasury to-day is $44,760,908 or about $1,000 000 less than a month ago

The gold coin and bullion fund in the treasury is $282,030 523 with liabilities of gold certificates outstanding, amounting to $88,765 340, thus leaving a gold fund balance of $193 274,193, against $186,506 530 a month ago

The silver coin and bullion fund is $218,-236 868, which with certificates outstanding, amounting to $147,876,385, leaves a silver fund balance amounting to $70,360 483 against $72 455,105 on the 1st of last August. In addition to this silver fund balance there is in the treasury assets $515,709 in trade dollars and $6 637,495 trade dollar bullion, which have been redeemed under the recent law of congress, and which cost the government $7,253 204

The store of standard silver dollars now in the treasury amounts to $213,212 448 an increase of $1 788,000 during the past month. It appears from statements prepared in the treasurer's office that up to date the total coinage of standard silver dollars amounts to $271 200 117, and that of this amount $56 857 060 are in circulation against $56, 612 829 on September 1, 1886

Government receipts during August were heavy, aggregating $35 619,115, against $32,135,326 in August last year. Customs receipts were $22,186,768 or fully $2 000,000 more than in August a year ago. Internal revenue receipts were $10 850 398, against $9 697,934 in August, 1886, and receipts from miscellaneous sources were nearly $500,000 more than in August a year ago.

Expenditures during August were $28, 717,162, about $200,000 less than in August last year

Alleged Illegal Cutting of Timber.

WASHINGTON, Sept 2—Acting Secretary of the Interior Muldrow has requested the attorney general to direct the United States attorney for Washington Territory to investigate the alleged cutting of timber by contractors of Northern Pacific companies for construction purposes on the Cascade branch of that road. This action was taken in consequence of the report of Special Timber Agent Frost to the effect that the railroad is devastating the public lands of their valuable timber, without regard to law or to the rules and regulations of the land office. The company claims they have a right to the use of this timber for construction purposes, but the agent alleges that the timber is used for repairs.

The Mexican Insult.

WASHINGTON, Sept 2—Consul Brigham, at El Paso del Norte, has informed the department of state of his trouble with Judge Zubian, the Mexican magistrate. Indian Agent Cowart, who was with him at the time the alleged insult was inflicted, fully corroborates Consul Brigham's story in a dispatch to the commissioner of Indian affairs. The matter, however, is looked upon at the state department as a purely personal affair, and one not likely to lead to international complications with the sister republic and no action is likely to be taken until, at least, the Mexican side of the story is heard.

Application of Prepayment.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—Applications for prepayment of interest on bonds amounting to $1,903 300 were received at the treasury department yesterday, making the total to date $84 714 100. These applications so far came from the holders of $62,280,000 of four per cent, $20,654,100 of four and-a half per cents and $1,780,000 of Pacific railroad bonds.

Monument to Confederate Dead

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2—The secretary of war has approved the request of the ex Confederate association at Chicago to erect a memorial to the Confederate dead, buried in the government lot in Oakland cemetery near that city, under such regulations or instructions as the quartermaster general may deem proper

Restored to Public Domain.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2—Acting Land Commissioner Stockslager has issued orders relative to the restoration to the public domain of the indemnity land held for the Marquette Houghton & Ontagon Railway company in Michigan. The amount of land is 257,774 acres

Hurricane at Sea.

NEW BEDFORD Mass Sept 2—Capt. Rich, of the schooner Agate, which arrived here yesterday from a whaling voyage, reported the hurricane of the 20th ultimo as the worst he ever encountered. He had to cut away the main mast to save the vessel. One of the seaman was washed overboard, and rescued with great difficulty. Capt. Rich reports running before the gale with the schooner Mary G Currier of Provincetown, for two hours on the day of the hurricane. It is feared she is lost

Reduced Cable Rates

NEW YORK, Sept. 2—The Commercial Cable company yesterday morning issued a circular, giving a reduction of cable rates. On and after September 15, 1887 the tariff will be twelve cents per word to Great Britain Ireland and France and fifteen cents per word to Germany

Again Respited

HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept. 2—James P McCabe the convicted murderer, to have been hanged Thursday, who escaped from the Wayne county jail last June, and who is still at large, was again respited until October 6. This action must be repeated until McCabe is recaptured.

Fell and Broke His Neck.

STEUBENVILLE, O Sept. 2—William North fell from a tramway in the Jefferson iron works Thursday noon and broke his neck

IOWA DEMOCRATS

They Meet at Des Moines and Nominate a State Ticket.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Sept. 2.—The Democratic state convention was called to order at 10 30 o'clock yesterday morning in the Grand opera house. Senator Dodge was introduced as temporary chairman and in his speech gave the administration of President Cleveland a most cordial endorsement. Cato Sells of Blackhawk, was the choice for permanent chairman. He made several complimentary allusions to President Cleveland, which were cheered to the echo. After the adoption of the platform nominations followed, and were quickly disposed of

The following is the ticket

For governor—Maj T J Anderson

Lieutenant governor—J M Elder

Supreme judge—Charles S Fog

Superintendent of schools—Professor H W Sawyer

The platform indorses Cleveland's administration, approves his civil service policy and command the efficiency of the pension departments, demands of congress a revision of tariff laws in the interest of equal taxation, is opposed to all sumptuary legislation and in favor of the repeal of the present prohibitory liquor law, substituting in its stead a local option and carefully guarded license fee of $500 for the better control of the liquor traffic, and demands such legislation by congress and the state legislature as will apply to state and interstate transportation of freights and passengers the principles of the Reagan bill

SETS 'EM TALKING

Wall Street Believes Gould Scooped the Baltimore & Ohio.

NEW YORK Sept. 2—Wall street was filled with rumors yesterday that Jay Gould had obtained control of the Baltimore & Ohio Telegraph company, that he had virtually been in possession for some time and that as soon as he was ready to boom Western Union, the announcement would be made officially

Speculators and brokers generally accepted the reports as true, but no positive information could be obtained. Notwithstanding these rumors Western Union was not particularly buoyant. The stock dropped a point soon after the opening. Then came the announcement that the Commercial Cable company would, on and after September 15 reduce its rates to England Ireland and France to twelve cents per word. This was taken advantage of the bears to raid the stock, but its price did not give way to any extent

With regard to the report from Chicago that the result of the purchase of the Baltimore & Ohio express by the United States company would be the formation of an express trust between the great express companies, Mr Hoey, of the Adams company, said to a United Press reporter yesterday that the story was a "colossal Munchausen. The Adams Express company," he said, "had been approached on the subject, and it would be a good thing for his company, but the Adams would continue to be independent" President Platt, of the United States Express company, also declares there was no truth in the report.

Crew Saved From a Wrecked Ship.

NEW YORK, Sept. 2—The steamer City of Alexandria which arrived here yesterday morning from Mexican ports via Havana, brought the captain and seventeen sailors of the abandoned ship Lina. The Lina was a German vessel and left Pensacola with a cargo of lumber three weeks ago bound for Dortrecht. In the the terrific hurricane of the 25th of August, which wrought so much destruction, she labored badly and sprung a leak. Several times during the next two days the crew thought that they would be obliged to take to the life boats, but on the 27th the American brig Mercury, from Cuba to Boston, rescued them. The Mercury hailed the Alexandria later in the day and transferred the Lina's crew to the steamer. The Lina was not insured, but her cargo was fully covered.

No Further Hostilities Apprehended

DENVER, Col, Sept. 2—Garfield county is now infested by a gang of stock thieves who are not only gathering up the scattered horses of the Utes but of the whites. Three men have been arrested with a flock of sheep and goats. Reports from Rangeley indicate the gradual disintegration of the sheriff's forces, but the state troops remain. Agent Brynes from the Uintah agency, has reached Meeker with one company. No further hostilities are apprehended. There are reports that the regular troops will be stationed at Rangeley for some time as a precautionary measure and the state troops will return home

Prefers the Democratic Nomination

NEW YORK Sept 2—The Standard Henry George's paper will say in this week's issue that S H Sweet the United Labor nominee for state surveyor has not accepted the nomination and his failure to decline it is apparently due to his desire to get the Democratic nomination for the same office, as shown by his own utterances. Mr George therefore recommends that another nomination be be made by the state committee

Stole More Than the Capital Stock

CHARLESTON, S C, Sept. 2—The examiners report on the condition of the Sumptor National bank which suspended on account of Cashier Bartlett's defalcation shows that Bartlett stole $80 000 which is $30 000 more than the capital stock. The bank has been in existence three years and was one of the most thriving in the state. Barlett is thought to be in New York

The Cruiser Boston's Trial Trip

NEW YORK Sept. 2—The Tribune says that the cruiser Boston made a satisfactory trial trip yesterday. In a run of six hours she made fourteen and a half knots and her engines showed an indicated horse power of 4 204 whereas she was only supposed to show 3,500

Sunk in a Collision

CASTINE Me, Sept 2—Judge Goode's new yacht was sunk in this harbor yesterday by collision with the steamer City of Richmond. The occupants were saved after a hard struggle, except Charles Shepherd, of this place who was drowned

Labor Day in New York

NEW YORK, Sept. 2—Fully 75 000 men will participate in the labor parade on Monday next. After the parade a huge picnic will be held.

THE SINGLE SCULL RACE.

TEEMER WINS THE RACE AT SARATOGA SPRINGS

John Teemer is now the Premier American Oarsman—The Result of the Races at Sheepshead Bay, Niagara Falls and Chicago—Yesterday's Base Ball

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N Y, Sept. 2.—The single scull race in Saratoga lake yesterday resulted in one of the most magnificent aquatic contests ever seen in American waters. The result proved that John Teemer is the premier American oarsman and though Hamm pushed Teemer several times the latter won very handily. John Scannell, of New York, officiated as umpire and the judges were James Black county clerk of New York. Leicester Holmes Horace Blodgett and C H. Tift. Peter Duryea and G W Blodgett held the clocks. When the preliminary whistle was blown at 4 o'clock the wind was fresh and the water was rather too lumpy for fast time. At 4 15 the call was sounded for the oarsmen to take their places, which they did in the following order from the west shore. Hamm No 1, Lee, No 2, Teemer, No. 3, and Bubear, No 4.

At the signal Teemer was off at once, closely followed by Hamm, who hugged Teemer for about two hundred yards but the latter's powerful thirty six strokes to the minute made too hot a pace for the others, and at the end of three quarters of a mile the race had resolved itself into a procession, Teemer showing the way. Bubear quit rowing and retired from the race at the first mile. Straightening out for the second turn Teemer was five lengths in advance of Hamm whose clean and pretty stroke contrasted with the less graceful but powerful sweep of the champion who in crossed his lead, as he pleased. Lee who was rowing a hopeless race, ten lengths astern of Hamm, kept steadily at work however, but his stroke lacked strength and the others increased the daylight between them and him at every stroke

The second buoy was rounded by Teemer in nine minutes and thirty-one seconds, Hamm nine minutes and forty seven seconds. Lee, ten minutes and twenty five seconds. On the way to the third flag the speed was decreased some, but Teemer held his lead with ease. Clearing the turn the oarsmen now made play for good finishing positions. Teemer now made a splendid showing of reserve force. He increased his stroke from thirty one to thirty four, and maintained this pace to the end, working with the regularity and precision of a machine. His shell seemed to jump through the water at every sweep of the sculls, and amid the cheers of the hundreds of spectators he crossed the finish line eight lengths ahead of Hamm, who had made desperate but futile efforts to reduce the champion's lead. Teemer's time was 20 07 1 2, Hamm's 20 30, Lee, 23 15

The double scull race was declared off owing to to the failure of several subscribers to the purse to come up with the necessary boodle. Among those who viewed the race was Mr St Clair McKelway, editor of the Brooklyn Eagle

Races at Sheepshead Bay

SHEEPSHEAD BAY, Sept 2—Yesterday was the first day of the autumn meeting. Weather perfect attendance large and track good. First race, purse $500, five furlongs Little Minch first, Mona second, Brittanic third. Time 1 01 1 2

Second race, seven eighths of a mile Kingston first, Flageoletta second, Stuyvesant third. Time 1 27 1 4, which beats the record by a quarter of a second

Third race, the Sapphire stakes, three quarters of a mile. Geraldine first. George Oyster second, The Lyon third. Time 1 15

Fourth race, the Queen City handicap sweepstakes of $100 each, with $2,500 added one and one-quarter miles. Elkwood first Saxony second, Banbury third. Time not given

Fifth race sweepstakes of $25 each, with $750 added, one mile. Eolian first Florence finished second but was disqualified on foul and the place was given to Pearl Jennings. Time 1 40 1 4

Sixth race the Welter stakes, $750 added one and three sixteenth miles on turf. Joe Colton first. Pomona second. Binnette third. Time 2 06 1 2

Caledonian Society's Picnic

NEW YORK Sept 2—About 8 000 people of both sexes attended the thirty first annual picnic and games of the Caledonian society yesterday. A dozen of the Thistle's crew were present. The games were very successful three best records being broken as follows. In putting fourteen pound shot J McPherson with a put of forty eight feet and one inch, beat the best previous record of forty seven feet. James MacDougal sent the sixteen pound hammer flying one hundred and four feet, exceeding the record by one foot and ten inches and Johnson of Brooklyn, beat his own best record of forty one feet and three inches in tossing the caber, by five inches.

Races at Niagara Falls.

NIAGARA FALLS, N Y Sept 2—Yesterday was the opening day of the fall meeting. First race, seven eighths of a mile. Flora B first. Miller second, Roly Pringle third. Time 1 31

Second race, one mile. Pericles first, Pink Cottage second, Kensington third. Time 1 45 3 4

Third race three quarters of a mile. Carrie G first. Fagan second. Uledia third. Time 1 17 3 4

Fourth race, one and one-sixteenth miles. Alaric first, Dousman second. Barnum third. Time 1 51

Fifth race, one mile and a quarter, over hurdles. Justin Mack first, Mentmore second, Shamrock third. Time 2 24 3 4

A Balloonist's Fall

PRINCETON, Mo, Sept. 2—Randall Blakslee, a half breed, made a balloon ascent hanging to a trapeze bar at the fair here Thursday. At a height of 300 feet he fell. His body was terribly mangled

Professor Merrill Married

NEW YORK Sept. 2—Professor Merrill of Columbia college, was married Thursday morning to Miss Winfred Edgerton, of Ripon, Wis.

BRIEF MENTION.

News of the Day Condensed for the Hasty Peruser

The cotton crop of the Memphis district is reported as damaged 30 per cent

Miss Mollie Hussey who has been missing from Rochester, N H, was found all right at Wellesley

Incendiary fire at Spring Mountain O destroyed the store of Lybarger & Weatherwax. Loss $7 000

John Boyle was killed by cars at Fort Wayne Ind. He had just arrived from Pittsburg in search of work

The Northwestern National insurance company has withdrawn from the Chicago Fire Underwriters association

Several attempts have been made by incendiaries to set fire to the town of Kent O. Not much damage has yet been done

The Memphis & Little Rock railroad was sold under mortgage to R K Dow, of New York for $2,500 000. It will be extended to Dallas Tex

A shortage of $10 000 has been discovered in the accounts of E H Harvey ex secretary of the Hudson, Wis. Building and Loan association

A man supposed from papers found in his pockets to be Derby G Brach, of Burlington Iowa, committed suicide on the Boston common by shooting

As the Rome Under Nero excursion train on the Midland entered Loveland O, last evening the air hose burst and the train ran away until it stopped of its own weight

Nunsshimer & Klein general merchants failed for $13 000 and A Goldsberg, clothing failed for $11 000 Texarkana Ark and both closed on attachments. Both firms have Cincinnati creditors

Michael Butler discharged keeper of Ward's insane asylum has petitioned the supreme court of New York for the release of certain sane patients retained there. Of 1 500 inmates he says 300 are perfectly sane

Ike Laws the desperado who was badly wounded in resisting a sheriff's posse in Webster county Missouri was rescued by a masked band of his associates, from the hospital, where he had been taken for treatment

W H Smith and William Applegate, charged with being members of the Bald Knobbers gang, which whipped J P Helms in Christian county Arkansas waived examination and were bound over

Foreign

Dillon announced in the commons that the proclaimed meeting at Clare will be held, bloodshed or not

Conybeare and Stanhope English members of parliament will address the Ennis branch of the league

It is thought that the entrance of Gen Ernroth into Bulgaria to assume the governorship will be forcibly resisted

The papal envoy, addressing the people at Tipperary, said the pope intended to do a great good for Ireland

Emperor William reviewed troops yesterday, remaining throughout and showing no fatigue at the close

Prince Fritz will not cross the channel at once Dr Mackenzie fearing the effect of the damp air

Indications.

WASHINGTON Sept. 1—Cooler, threatening weather local rains in the northern portions nearly stationary temperature and fair weather in the southern portions light to fresh variable winds, generally southwesterly, and backing to southeasterly in Illinois

FINANCE AND COMMERCE

Quotations of the Money Stock Produce and Cattle Markets for Sept 1

NEW YORK Money 7 per cent. Exchange weak. Governments steady

Currency sixes 125 bid four coupons 128⅞ four and a halfs 108¾ bid

The stock market opened active and during the first half hour on a steady buying prices advanced ¼ to 1½ per cent. This was followed by some unloading. Western Union was especially pressed for sale on the announcement that the Commercial Cable company would reduce its rates. This caused a reaction of ⅛ to 1 per cent by 11 o'clock made the lead of the stock named. Toward midday there was a steadier feeling. Western Union was bid up and at the present writing figures are about the best of the morning

[illegible]	117	Mich Central	88¼
Canadian Pacific	58	Missouri Pacific	91¼
Canada Southern	53	N Y Central	10[illegible]
Central Pacific	34½	Northwestern	111⅝
C C C & I	50	Northern Pacific	[illegible]
Del & Hudson	10[illegible]	do preferred	[illegible]
D L Lack & W	1[illegible]	Ohio & Miss	2[illegible]
Denver & Rio G	[illegible]	Pacific Mail	3[illegible]
Erie seconds	[illegible]	Reading	6[illegible]
Illinois Central	118½	Rock Island	[illegible]
Jersey Central	7[illegible]	St Paul	[illegible]
Kansas & Texas	[illegible]	do preferred	11[illegible]
Lake Shore	9[illegible]	Union Pacific	[illegible]
Louisville & Nash	[illegible]	Western Union	[illegible]

Cincinnati

FLOUR—Fancy $3 [illegible] family $3 10@3 30

WHEAT—No 2 red 68@70. No 2 [illegible] 71½

CORN—No 2 mixed 41@[illegible] No 2 mixed [illegible]

OATS—No 2 mixed [illegible] No 2 mixed, [illegible] No 2 white [illegible]

PORK—Family $15 50@15 75 regular $14 75@15 00

LARD—Kettle [illegible]

BACON—Short clear sides [illegible]

CHEESE—Prime to choice Ohio 11@11½ New York 11½@12

POULTRY—Common chickens $[illegible] per dozen fair to prime $2 [illegible] choice $[illegible]

WOOL—Unwashed medium clothing [illegible] fine merino [illegible] common [illegible] fleece washed medium clothing [illegible] combing [illegible] fine merino X and XX [illegible] bur and [illegible] tub washed [illegible] pulled, [illegible]

HAY—No 1 timothy $11 00@[illegible] No 2, $[illegible] mixed $10 00@[illegible] prairie, $[illegible] wheat, oats and rye straw, $[illegible]

CATTLE—Good to choice butchers $3 10@3 85 fair $2 [illegible] common $1 50@[illegible] stockers and feeders $2 00@3 00 yearlings and calves $[illegible]

HOGS—Select butchers' $5 [illegible] fair to good packing $4 [illegible] fair to good light $4 [illegible] common $4 00@4 70 culls $3 [illegible]

SHEEP—Common to fair $2 [illegible] good to choice $3 [illegible] common to fair lambs $4 00@4 [illegible] good to choice $[illegible]

New York

WHEAT—No 1 state red, 80¾c No 2 red winter 80¼, October 81½c

CORN—Mixed 47¼ September 49½c

OATS—No 1 white state 3[illegible] No 2 31¾c

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DEMOCRATS IN SESSION.

A STATE TICKET NOMINATED IN PENNSYLVANIA

After a Long and Tedious Balloting J Ross Thompson of Erie, is Nominated for Supreme Judge—B J McGrann of Lancaster Chosen for State Treasurer

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Sept 1—The Democratic state convention met here and was called to order promptly at noon by Dallas Sanders chairman of the state committee. There were 351 delegates, and no contested seats were announced. George A Post of Susquehanna was chosen by acclamation for chairman. After a brief speech by Mr Post the convention adjourned pending the report of the platform committee

At 3 30 p m the convention reassembled and Hon S R Peale of Lock Haven chosen permanent chairman. Peale made a forcible speech in which he referred to the bright prospects of the party in the coming fight. It was then agreed to fill in the time while waiting for the committee on platform by nominating candidates

When the name of Adams county was called William McSherry Jr presented the name of Judge William S McLean, of Gettysburg in a short speech for judge of the supreme court. John McMichael's name was then presented

At this juncture the committee on platform returned and were received with the wildest enthusiasm. Mr Robert E Wright of Lehigh read the platform in a clear, firm voice. As plank after plank was read the audience cheered but the enthusiasm was very great when the tariff plank was reached and the Philadelphians in particular wildly cheered what they conceived to be an indorsement of the tariff stand of ex Speaker Randall. After the platform had been adopted every one breathed a sigh of relief and the convention resumed the nomination of candidates

Cyrus La Rue Munson of Williamsport in a neat speech presented the name of Robert P Allen of Lycoming. Dallas Sanders did the same for Michael G Arnold, of Philadelphia, and Thomas Walker, for the Schuylkill delegates pressed the claims of James Ryan. William L Scott, of Erie named J Ross Thompson of the same place, and this nomination was seconded by William J Brennan, of Allegheny. The name of Robert E Pattison of Philadelphia was advanced by J W Lear. J S Fisher followed in advocacy of the claims of Hon W M Rapsher, and the list was closed with the presentation of the name of Judge Harman Yerkes of Doylestown. Before the balloting began Mr Lear withdrew the name of Mr Pattison, stating that he understood higher honors were awaiting him at Federal hands. Then came the long and tedious balloting. The individual delegates were called and as there were 350 in number it took some time before the end of the roll was reached

When the last name was called it was seen that the leaders in the race were Thompson, Arnold, McLean and Rapsher. At this time and before the result of the ballot was given the delegates began to change their votes, and a scene of indescribable confusion ensued. Delegates were on their feet in all parts of the house demanding recognition and the chairman vainly called for. The result of the ballot was not given and the roll was again called. On this second poll those candidates in the rear lagged still further behind, and it became apparent that McLean and Rapsher were out of the race. Then the delegates came tumbling one after the other into the Thompson and Arnold folds. Occasional breaks were made in the Philadelphia ranks which were standing pretty firm for Thompson, but those on the other hand would be balanced by corresponding gains for Arnold in the country districts. Thus Thompson and Arnold forces kept see sawing. Now the Erie man in the lead, and again the Quaker City judge on top

Finally the chairman refused to recognize any further changes of votes and ordered the clerks to compute the vote. Amid ringing cheers it was discovered that Thompson had 180 votes and Arnold 171. Thompson was declared the winner and the convention gave itself up to one hoarse shout of enthusiasm. Immediately afterwards it was moved and carried to make the nomination unanimous

It was then announced that nominations for state treasurer were in order. Delegate Patrick Foley, of Pittsburg presented the name of B J McGrann of Lancaster, and after eulogizing him in strong terms asked that the convention nominate him by acclamation

This was the desire of the convention, but "Uncle" Jake Seigler wanted to know who the candidate was and two other delegates from the northwestern counties echoed the sentiment. But the convention was wild to nominate McGrann, and the call for the question came from all parts of the house. At this point the Wyoming delegates asked for a voice from Lancaster county and Richard M Reilly of that city, extolled the merits of McGrann in a ringing speech. This settled it, and the convention with a ringing shout of acclamation placed the name of B J McGrann on the ticket for state treasurer. The convention then adjourned sine die

A Defective Boiler Explodes

CINCINNATI Sept 1—A boiler in Ford & Erhart's iron foundry, at 815 West Sixth street let go at 1 20 yesterday afternoon with a tremendous crash tearing one side out of the building and demolishing a smoke stack thirty four feet tall. The terrific shock alarmed the whole neighborhood and it was supposed that many lives were lost. William Erhart, aged twenty one years a son of one of the proprietors, was badly and it is believed, fatally hurt. He is badly bruised and thought to be internally injured. Fred Smith an employe standing by was struck on the foot by a falling brick and badly hurt. The money loss will be $800. The boiler was a new one made by the Fudor company, and the explosion is said to be due to a defect in it. No insurance

Steamer Knickerbocker Arrives.

NEW ORLEANS Sept 1—The steamer Knickerbocker of the Cromwell line, from New York, overdue for several days, crossed the bar at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Her crew and passengers all well. Her bulwarks were stove in by heavy seas

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PROMINENT WOMEN

Queen Victoria's gold service dines 130 persons

Mrs. Cleveland is having several new dresses made by Worth for next season's social gayetie.

The mother of Sylvanus Cobb Jr., was first cousin of Abigail Dodge (Gail Hamilton) and of Mrs James G Blaine

Mrs Sarah Althea Hill Sharon Terry puts faith in the Arizona boom, and has bought a large mine near Cerbat, A T

Miss Elizabeth Stuart Phelps has bought land at Willoughby Park, Collins Beach Mass., and will build a summer home

Mrs Riegel formerly Elizabeth Nicholson a celebrated Philadelphia belle recently married Baron Frederic Blanc, of France

Mlle Jeanne Hugo, daughter of the late great Frenchman, is said by the society gossips of the continent to be the belle of Paris.

Mrs. Perry, widow of Commodore Perry the hero of Lake Erie is living at Stratford, Conn in good health and spirits for an old lady

The Duchess of Cambridge is the oldest member of the English royal family She is over 90 years old, and George III was her father in law

Mrs H O Stone the leader of Chicago society, is at Long Branch, a guest of Mrs George H Pullman Mrs Stone is a widow worth $3 000 000, and is not yet beyond middle age

Mrs Henn is so thorough a sailor and so fond of the Galatea as her home that she has been ashore but four times since April Her diversions are fishing and training a pet raccoon which she caught in Florida

Miss Belle De Long a popular young lady of Council Bluffs, Ia, left her home last winter to become a member of the Salvation Army Her relatives mourned her as dead when she returned to her family recently

Mrs Julia H Wilson of New Britain Conn one of the most finished Latin scholars in the United States has received the degree of Lit D from Bethany college Topeka the chief college of the Episcopal church for the education of women

Miss Jennie Carlisle, an attractive and wealthy young woman of Minneapolis, recently fell in love with a bicyclist by the name of Eck The Carlisle family objected to their daughter's receiving the athlete's attentions and she proposed an elopement. He was willing and flight to Omaha and marriage was the result.

The queen of Portugal is an accomplished potter When staying at the seaside last year she constantly visited an important factory close by, and was so interested that she took lessons in the whole process of manufacture Now Queen Maria Pia has become a first rate workwoman and turns out most artistic vases, bowls, cups, etc

One of the belles of Saratoga is Miss Bach, the daughter of a Wall street broker A correspondent thus describes her Miss Bach is a stately brunette with round face, large dark eyes, and when she appears with her hair arranged in a Grecian knot, as she usually does one can imagine the graceful form and regular and classic features of a Hellenic maiden as she sweeps along the Ionic columned piazza of Congress hall "

Mr and Mrs. William Laytin of New York, are making something of a sensation at Saratoga. Mr Laytin is the owner of a fleet of East river ferryboats and a very rich man On his arrival at the Grand Union hotel Saratoga he tipped the head waiter with a $50 bill, according to rumor and is therefore well served at his meals Mrs Laytin has 200 costumes with her Seventy five of these are for out-of door wear and have hats, parasols and fans to match

GREENROOM GOSSIP

Pauline Markham begins another starring tour Sept. 10

Helen Dauvray will open her season in Boston, Oct 10

Lester Wallack is having more trouble with rheumatic gout

The next opera at the New York Casino will be 'The Marquise '

Modjeska has thrown her play 'The Chouans on the market

Frank Mayo is to open the season at Buffalo in The Royal Guard

J K Emmet is said to be one of the wealthiest actors in America.

Manager White of Detroit has secured the Standard theatre Chicago

Mrs Kendal the English actress earns about $10,000 a year on an average.

A. B Anderson Henry Chanfrau's manager, is summering at Washington

Fred Bryton opens his season in 'Forgiven' at Attleboro, Mass, in August.

Tomasi has been re-engaged as musical director for Emma Abbott, his seventh season with her

Henry Irving will play in four American cities next season, commencing and closing in New York

The new Broadway, New York, theatre will be opened to the public by French and Sanger Oct. 1

DeWolf Hopper and Digby Bell are arranging a baseball match for the benefit of Rachael Booth

M Leo Delibes is finishing the music of his opera "Kassia whose libretto is by M Henry Meilhac and Philippe Gill

Edward Shuter one of the most popular comedians on the London stage began life as a potboy at a public house.

Mrs James Brown Potter will open her season in October at New York under the management of Barton Key

Louise Pomeroy will give Sunday night lectures during her coming season The subject will be 'Before and Behind the Footlights.'

According to Il Trovatore, the renowned double bass virtuoso Bottesini has been engaged by Mr Abbey for an American concert tour

The American dramatic author, it would seem, is about to get on top so to speak at last. Next season will see a very fair showing of native plays.

Mme. Modjeska will keep clear of new plays next season 'Shakespeare is good enough for her in the language of the appreciative country critic.

Theatrical prophets are not lacking who profess to see in the workings of the interstate law if it be enforced with impartiality a way to the re-establishment of the stock company in many cities

By arrangement with H Rider Haggard Henry Lee and E Otto Meyer have dramatized the first mentioned's novel, 'Allan Quatermain The play will be produced early in the coming season in New York

Col McCaull will produce "The Begum" a comic opera with a Hindoo subject music by Reginald de Koven and libretto by Harry B Smith, first in November at the Chestnut Street opera house, Philadelphia, and a couple of weeks afterward at the Fifth Avenue theatre, New York The opera is in two acts, and has fifteen characters.

GREEN ROOM GOSSIP

A C Gunther's new play is entitled One Against Many "

Dion Boucicault has re-engaged Herbert M Colby as his stage manager

Ilma di Murska the famous Hungarian singer, will come to this country soon

Mrs. F L. Fernandez, the actress has fallen heir to an estate in England worth $240,000

Louis Merante the famous French ballet master died recently in Paris at the age of 59

Margaret Mather, her husband (Emil Haberkorn) and her niece have returned from Europe

Mme Christine Nilsson owns two large buildings on Otis street, Boston which the assessors rate at $123 000

Sarah Bernhardt has been coining money in London Her receipts have averaged over $2 500 for each performance.

Mlle Zelie de Lusan the cantatrice of the Ideal Opera company, with her mother, is summering at Richfield Springs, N Y

Maud Powell the celebrated Aurora female violinist has a three years' contract to appear in all the big cities of Europe and America

Miss Boddington an American girl has gained the Moscheles prize at Leipsic The test piece was the composer's G minor concerto

Gilbert and Sullivan are said to be preparing an American comic opera based on the assumption that Americans don't rule their own country

Edouard Audran the composer of the "Mascotte is at work on a fantastic opera Mohammed's Paradise" which is to be first performed at Brussels

Mrs Sadie Chanfrau aged 34 years, the wife of Henry T Chanfrau, the actor, died recently She was formerly Miss Sadie Fulton the daughter of a well known hotel proprietor of Pittsburg

Emma Abbott says that the interstate commerce law will prevent her from doing Aida ' next season as she had contemplated Instead of that opera she will sing ' Elsa, ' her first attempt at Wagner

Judic who has returned to Paris after a "cure at Aix les-Bains is not going to Russia, as stated by the papers, but intends to rest for some weeks at her villa at Chatou She is to appear at the Varietes in October in a revival of the 'Grande Duchesse de Gerolstein "

Herr Bronsart von Schellendorf has been appointed successor to the late Baron von Loen, as intendant of the Weimar Court theatre Herr von Schellendorf, who is a pupil of Liszt and thoroughly modern in his musical training, has for many years successfully managed the Royal theatre at Hanover

Carrie Turner is going to leave the stage forever Constance His is responsible for this Constance has hardly begun to teethe yet, but she has already fixed the future of Mrs Carrie Turner His, her mother In 'Young Mrs Winthrop Miss Turner played Constance during the play's long run at the Madison Square, and subsequently on the road She married Alberts His, the son of a wealthy Swiss, and may settle in Switzerland

OLD PEOPLE

John Allen of Maine, who is 92 years of age is attending his 37th camp meeting

A Parsons (Kan) man 70 years old, has married a woman who has seen 65 years of living

Morris Cobb the first convert of Miller, the Second Adventist is living in poverty at Cape Elizabeth, Me , aged 90

Mary Gross said to be 110 years old and formerly a slave died in the almshouse at West Chester, Pa., the other day

The only survivor of Chicago's original board of trade is Marcus C Stearns, who is 73 years old, very rich and retired from business.

Jesse Marks a colored man of Toledo Ark claims to be 118 years old, and members of his old master's family say that the claim is well founded

Mrs J Witherspoon Smith, who died in New Orleans a few days ago, was 100 years 8 months and 20 days old She was born in New York city

Mrs Mary Lee a colored woman of Louisville Ky, who died a few days ago, was undoubtedly over 100 years old Her children say that she had lived 105 years

Mrs Matilda Vose, of Hyde Park Mass , has just celebrated her 99th birthday She is the mother of ten children, four of whom are living and she has twelve grandchildren and nine great grandchildren

Miss Mattie McVey who recently died in West Florence N Y , was 100 years old Sixty years ago she came from Ireland with her two sisters Susan and Katherine, and the former was over 100 years old when she died and the latter was also a centenarian

Margaret Donnellson better known as Aunt Peggy, and the oldest inmate of the Pittsburg Home for Aged Colored Women, claims to be 130 years old, and certainly is pretty near that age She has lived in Pittsburg since it was a frontier fort She is active and vigorous.

An aged negro blacksmith who still does good work at the forge in Ozen Ark , and who is known as Governor Pickens is probably the oldest working blacksmith living He was born in South Carolina, March 7 1787, and sold on the block in New Orleans and taken to Arkansas in 1840

Mrs. Lena Hill recently applied to the health commissioners of St. Louis for a burial permit She said that she was 107 years old and wanted to make all the necessary preparations for her death She was much disgusted at being told that ante-mortem burial certificates were never issued

NEWS ABOUT THE ATHLETES

Malcolm W Ford late of the New York Athletic club is seriously ill.

Frank Adams the all round athlete of the American Athletic club, has cast his lot with the Olympic club

Active steps are in progress to bring E C Carter and L Weigand together in a series of all around athletic competitions

As was predicted W F Thompson of the Olympic Athletic club secured a place in nearly every event in which he competed this season

It is rumored that Josh Hart the old time walker will again be seen on the cinder path Josh was fast but toward the end of his career his style of going grew very suspicious.

W C Adams made a very poor showing at the Missouri Athletic club games held at St. Louis. Joe Murphy, the local champion beat the New Yorker four yards in a furlong run in the slow time of 23 1 5 seconds

The American Football union which plays intercollegiate rules will be strengthened considerably the coming season by the admission of more clubs. The Crescent Athletic probably the best team out of Yale Harvard and Princeton has applied for admission.

LIGHT AND AIRY.

Highly Probable

Twas in the garden chatting,
Amid the mignonette—
She with her snowy tatting
I with my cigarette
I still can see her fingers
Flit softly in and out
With rapture memory lingers
To view her lips a-pout

A happy sunbeam glancing
Upon a wayward curl
Set every pulse to dancing
And turned my brain a-whirl,
And when she looked up shyly
I could not help you see
But stoop and kiss her slyly
Behind the apple tree

Strange that some mote forever
Should mar the rays of bliss?
Though conscious I had never
Yet won so sweet a kiss
Alas the act of plunder
Too gracefully she bore
I could not choose but wonder
Had she been kissed before?
—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

Presence of Mind

"You want to marry my daughter do you?" said the rich old parent to the gilded youth who had hovered about the front parlor persistently for the last three months whether the gas was lit or not

' Yes, sir said the youth, apparently much relieved

Very well ' said the old gentleman with a self satisfied chuckle 'you can have her Here by the way are a few of her bills, which I may as well submit to you now as at any other time

"Ah yes murmured the young man not in the least abashed ' here are my bills too " as he pulled a handful of papers out of his pocket, "we'll just stack em up together and you can fix it all up in a lump whenever you feel like it ' —Merchant Traveler

A Fine Turnout

Under the trees
Swayed by the breeze
Maiden in hammock swinging
Softly the air
Touches her hair
Clearly the robins are singing

Lover stands near
Many a year
Older than maiden but gold
Levels the seal
Boldly the tale
Tells he that never grows old

I promise when we
Are one dear said he
Whatever you care most about
I'll give you my fair
Of ponies a pair—
What that be a handsome turnout? '

Then higher he swung
The hammock and flung
The maiden with flutter and flout
Excuse me she said
Without being wed
You gave me a fine turn out
Boston Courier

Why He Was Polite

Two Chicago men on a street car A woman enters and one of the men hastily gives her his seat The other one looks on in astonishment and when the woman gets off says

' You are growing strangely polite '

"How so?"

"Why, you gave that woman your seat just now I never saw you do anything of the kind before You must have been struck by her appearance "

' Oh, no You see I owe her husband and she knows who I am "—Arkansaw Traveler

Vacation Romance

They met at the seashore one summer
With results there's no need to define
He told his chum she was a hummer
And he she told hers was divine

They flirted upon the veranda
With the moon shining bright overhead
He ventured to call her Amanda
And she slyly answered Why Ned

Their romance was sweet while it lasted
As seaside romances may be
But alas! all his fond hopes were blasted
In a way that of course, you foresee

For when he went back to the city
Her coolness occasioned him pain
And—to make a short end to my ditty—
Her husband met her at the train
—Somerville Journal

A Contradiction

When people lose their tempers they are apt to say things that are contradictory Two New York gentlemen got into a quarrel at their club Finally one of them who believes in the code, said excitedly

' You are a low blackguard and an unmitigated scoundrel Now, sir, if you are a gentleman and a man of honor you know what you have to do Here is my card "—Ex

A Declaration Spoil

He told his love in warmest words
Of how his heart did yearn for her
Fine promises rolled out by yards,
The world he'd overturn for her

He asked her if his wife she'd be
And longed to press her to his side
He said Unless you marry me
I'll surely die by suicide

His hopes her silence still denied
Her way was supercilious
And all she said when she replied
Was Billy you are bilious.
—Merchant Traveler

Look on This, Then on That

Some baseball pitchers get $9 000 a season Some pitchers only get $1 a day and found but the latter pitch hay instead of a ball A young man who pitches hay may be as valuable a citizen as the man who pitches a ball, but he doesn't get his portrait printed in the papers —Norristown Herald

Now is the Time

Now is the time in particular
When the festive young rider bicycular
Strikes the stone rockular
In a way jockular
And losing his pose perpendicular
Alights on his northeast articular
—Puck

Editorial Resources

Editor—What was that awful crash in the composing room now?

Foreman—Sure all our foreign news has fallen into "pi

Editor—Pick it up and head it ' List of Members of the New Hungarian Parliament. ' —Pittsburg Dispatch

A Timely Quatrain

The small boy in a frolic
Robs the orchard of its apples
And his innards crinkle colic
Subsequently grimly grapples.
—Boston Courier

They Refuse a Patent

A New Yorker has invented a vacuum but the authorities in Washington refuse to grant him a patent on it They say his vacuum is a barefaced infringement on a dude's head —Norristown Herald

The Reason of It

As in my bed at morn I lie
I listen for the old church clock
The reason simple is, for I
Have put my watch and chain in hock
—Charleston Enterprise

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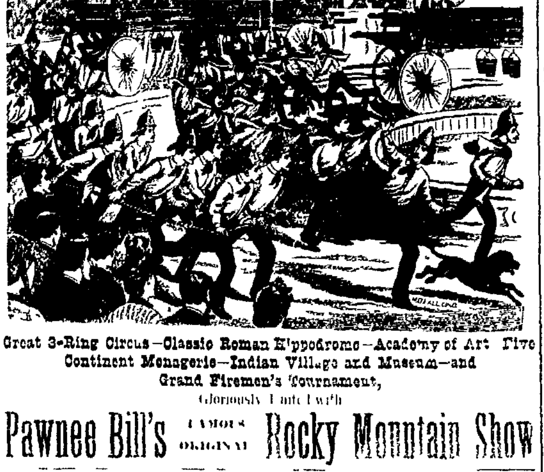

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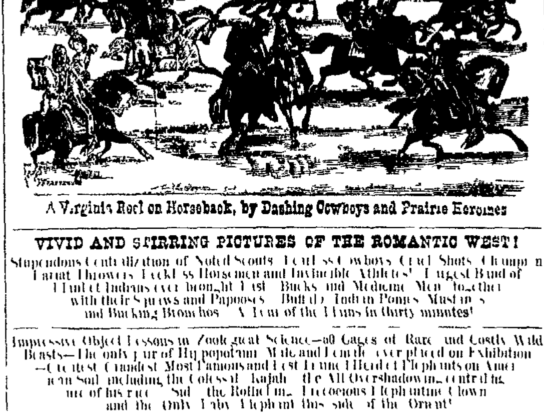

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He Needs an Ear Trumpet

Oh very deaf is the tyrant's ear
To the captive doomed to die
The slaver's heart is slow to hear
The poor slave's pitying cry
The judge's ears to the cry of pain
That rends the prisoner sore
Deaf ears is the beggar's plaintive strain
As he turns from the rich man's door
Oh! very deaf to the suitor's strains
Is a coquette's heartless mirth
But the rich uncle when it rains
Is the deafest thing on earth —Tit Bits.

Where Was She From?

They went out into the gloaming listening to the music of the insect world "Arthur" she exclaimed breaking the noisy silence, "how delightful yet how sad is the monotonous chorus of those toadstools?" Toadstools my dear replied Arthur "I think you mean crickets Yes crickets that's what I mean I knew it was something to sit on —Exchange

Shoo Fly

In the morning gray and early
When a man feels mighty surly,
Comes the fly
Pretty fly
And it wakes him from his sleeping
With its most intrepid peeping
With its buzzing and its nipping
With its biting and its skipping
Prevents his morning napping
Wears him out with constant slapping
Does the fly
Pretty fly
Shoo fly
—Merchant Traveler

The Shipment of Gold

Gold is shipped across the ocean in ' specie kegs made of extra hard wood with an extra iron hoop each bag containing $5 000 In the interests of security each keg is treated to what is technically known among the shippers as the ' red taping process At each end of the keg in the projecting rim of the staves above the head are bored four holes, at equidistant intervals A piece of red tape is run through these holes crossing on the head of the keg, and the ends finally meet in the center At the point of meeting the tape is sealed to the keg's head by the wax bearing the stamp of the shipper Gold crosses the ocean very much as does every other kind of freight without any special looking after, though some houses scrupulously limit the amount trusted to any one ship to $500 000

A Ghastly Trophy

One of the most remarkable sights was described to me some years ago by a Georgian A party were out deer hunting when an animal was started that was seen to have a round white object attached to his horns It was finally shot and impaled upon one of the points was the skull of a human being probably a hunter that the buck had turned upon and struck so violently that its horns had completely penetrated the skull and the ghastly trophy had been worn ever since —San Francisco Call

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THE OLD MILL.

Here from the brow of the hill I look
Through a lattice of boughs and leaves
On the old gray mill with its gambrel roof
And the moss on its rotting eaves
I hear the clatter that jars its walls
And the rushing water's sound
And I see the black floats rise and fall
As the wheel goes slowly round

I rode there often when I was young
With my grist on the horse before
And talked with Nellie the miller's girl
As I waited my turn at the door
And while she tossed her ringlets brown
And flirted and chatted so free
The wheel might stop or the wheel might go—
It was all the same to me

'Tis twenty years since last I stood
On the spot where I stand to day
And Nellie is wed and the miller is dead,
And the mill and I are gray
But both till we fall in to ruin and wreck
To our fortune of toil are bound
And the man goes and the stream flows
And the wheel moves slowly round
—Boston Beacon

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I Held Her Hand

I held her hand in mine the while she sat
And looked intently in my earnest face
Her soft warm breath my cheek did gently pat,
As with a gallant unassuming grace
I held her hand

She gave consent—that made it still more dear—
Not as if I in some ill mannered way
Advantage took of mamma being near
To grasp a goodly chance so I could say
I held her hand

Not that I loved her fondly but twas gold
And diamonds too to watch her girlish glee
As she maintained an innocence untold
While others there as well as mamma could see
I held her hand

Alas poor me! At last the sad day came
When she refused at both the joys I've missed!
An expert now she plays a winning game
But, when a novice at the game of whist
I held her hand
—L W Muhlattrick

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The early fall weather has created a demand for Wool Suitings. Fortunately our stock is in a condition to meet this demand.

We are showing a very complete line of fall and winter Dress Goods The subdued shades, with trimmings to match, the fine checks, the narrow stripes, and the fine embroidered French robes are very much admired and are selling rapidly.

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WARNER & EDWARDS.

LOCAL NEWS.

—H B Hane spent Sunday at Camp Ross Cotton

—Walter Gates of Richwood was in the city Tuesday

—Matt Dumble was taking in the sights of the Queen City

—E G Gibbs, of Findlay, was in the city for a short time

—J Q Colding was down from Findlay to make a short stay

—Mrs Guy Webber spent Sunday with her mother in this city

—Miss Nena Dugle has returned from a week's visit at Delaware

—Ford Ireland made a business trip to Columbus Tuesday afternoon

—One drunk Monday signed the roll of debtors to the corporation fund

—R A Boyd is off on a visit at his father's home in Coshocton county

—John I Hopkins left for Cincinnati Tuesday on a brief pleasure trip

—Harry Wood Sundayed at Cardington with his parents and special friends

—D Yake is now in New York purchasing his fall and winter stock of goods

—W S Frash spent Saturday and Sunday at his former home in Huntington

—F Huber and wife, and son Frank were in Cincinnati to see Rome Under Nero

—Dave Haberman has given up his position as salesman for C B Kling & Co

—Miss Clara Diebold left for Columbus Tuesday afternoon to visit a week or two among friends

—Mr Barron of the Bee Hive, left Saturday for New York and Philadelphia to buy fall millinery

—W Z Davis has gone to Pittsburgh in the interest of microscopic work, in which he takes a lively interest

—Misses Florence Hane and Flo Satter returned home from Galion after spending Saturday and Sunday there

—J J Rapp of San Francisco, Cal, is visiting with his brother, W C Rapp and family, on east Center street

—Prof W A Sager who will be assisted by Hattie Taylor of Norton, will commence the Waldo schools on September 5th

—A N Woodruff, who has been assisting the Huber electrical force, was in Michigan this week in the interests of that company

—Mrs Thos Mack, little daughter and mother, Mrs Sarah Scribner, have gone to Plymouth Ind, for a three weeks' visit.

—J D Barlow of the Huber expert force had a threshing outfit at Lexington, Ky this week, exhibiting at the great fair there

—Mrs C G Henderson and daughters, of Columbus, spent a week the guests of Mr and Mrs Dr Denman returning home Tuesday

—J K Clark has added verandas to his dwelling that adds much to its looks His is one of the neatest dwellings north of the railroad now

—Miss Genevra E Johnston, who is at home from Chicago on a visit, pleased her many friends by singing at the M E church Sunday evening

—Miss Jessie Jameson, who has been visiting relatives and friends in this city for the past two weeks has returned to her home in Kenton

—J L Schrote, now a live stock commission dealer in Cleveland, was in the city Friday Elmer has not yet removed his family to the Forest City

—Bert Randolph, a barber at the Hotel Marion shop, married a Miss Cook, one of Delaware's colored belles, in the College City, Thursday of last week.

—John Mossman one of Marion county's most energetic young men, left Tuesday to select his future home in Kansas The STAR wishes him abundant success

—The Huber folks were represented at the State Fair this week with a complete threshing outfit in the hands of Messrs Shoven Whipps and Stewart

—Miss Ella Imbody, of Agosta, spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs Bowen, on High street, and then left today for Columbus to remain during the State Fair

—Huntington Herald Engine 24 has undergone a general overhauling and was sent out of the shops Wednesday, with Uncle Billy Marston at the throttle

—Two young fellows fought over a cigar Saturday night and Mayor Conley assessed a fine on the aggressive offender sufficiently heavy to purchase three or four boxes of choice smokers

—S A Court left on Monday for Alliance Minerva and Girard on K of P business Mr Court assisted in the dedication of a new K of P hall, at Minerva, Tuesday evening

—John O Ludlam, who left Marion a couple years ago to locate in the dry goods business in Crestline, has sold out his interests to his partner, J M McKean. Perhaps John will return to Marion

—Will Bower and Miss Daisy Hipple, of Waldo were the guests of Jessie Harshberger, Tuesday.

—Miss Weis returned to her home in Columbus, Monday, after a very pleasant visit with Miss Diebold in this city

—M Dudly, the painter, who suffered a broken leg early in the summer, is able to get up town by the aid of crutches

—The Steam Shovel company will begin moving into its new quarters next week The new buildings are almost completed

—The Malleable Iron company was represented at the State Fair this week, exhibiting the Sprague hoist and other patents

—The fourth quarterly meeting for the present conference year will be held at the M. E church next Saturday and Sunday, Rev Dr Belt officiating

—Dr Blackburn returned from West Salem this week, after treating 300 patients magnetically in two days His practice continues to grow remarkably

—Miss Sadie Stouffer was very agreeably surprised on Friday evening by her many friends, it being her birthday Lunch was served and a very enjoyable time had

—Recorder Harraman was loafing about the streets Tuesday talking of gun club matters, not having a paper in his office for record Real estate transfers are a little dull just now

—Sam Beerbower had the bad luck to lose his little black mare, Pet Sunday. The animal was old enough to vote, and was the first delivery horse to haul groceries free in Marion

—Amanda Sopher has filed her petition for divorce from Wm Sopher, alleging habitual drunkenness for seven years and neglect of duty for over three years Both parties reside in Prospect.

—George Fields, proprietor of the N Y, P. and O eating house and saloon, lost a roll of bills amounting to $60 Monday on Main street. He authorizes us to offer $10 reward for its return to him

—Messrs Hess and Woodward started Monday on a business trip through the western part of Marion, Hardin and Logan counties They will visit Mr Woodward's father who resides at West Liberty.

—Slate Thomas, a familiar colored citizen to most Marionites, died at his home on Railroad street Thursday afternoon of gravel. He was probably sixty years old His remains were buried Friday afternoon

—People who figure on catching trains by making railroad time 28 minutes slower than the town clock will get left Either railroad time is fast or our town clock is slow, with the doubt strongly indicating the latter.

—Joe Matthews is in receipt of one of the elegant souvenirs that are issued from the Gas City now All the main streets larger factories and public buildings are finely illustrated and show the place to a good advantage.

—The case of Lewis M Holverstott vs Henry M Holverstott is being heard by Referee Rob't Mckelly, of Upper Sandusky, at the court room, J. T. Close acting as stenographer. All last week was engaged in the hearing and it is likely to last five days more

—Mrs Florence Kling and Miss Jennie Gibbs, members of the Raymond excursion party to Yellowstone Park, Wyoming, have returned home, after a delightful trip of five weeks duration Miss Gibbs has resumed her position as stenographer at the Huber office

—The contract with Kelly Bros for the east Center street improvement was signed Monday and the work was to begin yet this week. There is every indication that the job, though a big one, will be completed this fall, as the work will be pushed as rapidly as possible

—Attorney C D Pillsbury, who made so many warm friends in Marion while pursuing the study of law under J C Johnston, is back on a visit from Dighton, Kas, where he is now located He has prospered greatly out there and his Marion friends are warm in congratulations

—Late Thursday night a lady in male attire alighted from a N Y., P and O westbound passenger train and hurriedly traced her steps to one of the sporting houses before she was apprehended. It is strange to see a female traveling in male attire and there are grounds for suspicions.

—On the first of September the Erie express force is to be considerably changed Special messengers will be put on trains 8 and 8 between Marion and Chicago, and J S Duff, the present clever and popular agent, will accept one of the messenger runs Ed Beale is to become office agent

— Not long since, Louis Schmitt committed suicide at Mansfield Since then his family say that his ghost has been lurking about the house, and that his face, bearing a sepulchral grin, is continually looking in upon them through the windows They have grown extremely nervous over the affair

—One of the yelping would be cowboys, who make the night hideous with their screams when departing from town, was arrested Saturday night and fined for the misdemeanor The young fellow has read blood curdling literature until he really looks upon his confinement in the city prison as an honor.

—The Mt. Gilead Register published a long interview with Director Levering, last Wednesday, relative to the Black Diamond Nothing new was developed, however except that work is still progressing slowly and surely, and Mr Levering is sure the road from Marion to Zanesville will be completed by December, 1888

—Quite a change was effected in the force of the American Express Co at this point Tuesday. J P Lensenmayer has been promoted to a messenger run on the I, B and W between Springfield and Columbus, Carrol May succeeds Lensenmayer as transferman, and Will Cope takes May's position on the delivery wagon

—Early Monday morning, about 1 o'clock, Policemen Lannon and Masterson discovered a fire in the back of Smith's lot, on north East street the same burning within ten feet of George Field's residence and saloon To him they applied for buckets to extinguish the flames, when that gentleman became wrathy and ordered the officers off his place. The police do not forget such discourtesies.

SHOOTING GAS WELLS

Something About an Every Day Occurence in the Oil Districts.

"It is an exceedingly dangerous job," said an old and experienced driller to the STAR yesterday when the subject of shooting oil or gas wells was broached

"Shooting wells," he continued, "usually takes place when a gusher runs low, the object being to loosen up the sand rock, so as to set free the oil in it within a considerable distance of the bottom of the well

"The explosive used in all instances is nitro-glycerine, and the quantity used runs from twenty to one hundred and fifty quarts. One hundred quarts is considered a big charge, and that is the amount usually used in wells in this State.

"Formerly the business of shooting wells was in the hands of a monopoly, which held a patent upon the process They charged an enormous price, and soon others began operations on the sly, the work being mostly done at night. Now any one can shoot a well—that is if men of sufficient nerve can be secured The explosive is a dangerous one to handle In its natural state it is of the consistency of a yellow syrup and like it in appearance Where large quantities are used and to make it entirely safe to handle, it is frozen into a stiff mass of the consistency of lard and kept in that state until ready for use.

"Railroads, of course, will not carry the stuff and it is hauled about in a strong spring wagon, usually packed in two gallon cans Plenty of material to deaden the jolting is put in the wagon and the trip begun. To those who do not know the contents of it, the spring wagon is a mystery going along the road at a snail's pace with a man ahead throwing the stones out of the way Oftimes some one catches on and a big fuss is made. Towns ahead are notified that a wagon load of nitro glycerine is coming through. This makes the inhabitants indignant and usually the wagon is driven around the town

"There is no mistake about it being dangerous I know of cases where jolting over a large stone has exploded the stuff The trees, fences and, if there are any buildings about, tell of its power, as it will uproot a tree a dozen feet away while the wagon, horses and driver are shattered into minute fragments

"When everything is in readiness for shooting a well the cans are lowered one by one Then the 'go devil' is let down on the top can and the explosion takes place Those who have an idea that they will hear a tremendous report will be mistaken At the mouth of the well a crack like a pistol will be heard, while this well here is deep enough that no shock will be felt If there is any gas or oil in the well the effect of the explosion will soon be seen after the shooting"

A Merry Social Gathering

Of all the days of the year. none were sunnier nor brighter than was the last Sunday in August The air was balmy and invigorating, and it was but natural that man should be in sympathy with the surrounding nature and possess a genial and cheerful spirit Is it surprising, therefore, that the relatives and friends assembled at the residence of Mr. Albert Boblenz, at Gurley, were gay and merry? Already the house had been made glad by the arrival of two of his nieces, Misses Anna and Clara Lehner, from Oshkosh, Wis Upon the return from Sabbath school the young folks were greeted by Mr. and Mrs Ritzler, from Green Camp, Mr. and Mrs Hess, from Marion, and other friends and neighbors The praises due to the well loaded tables prepared by Mrs. Boblenz are too well known to need description

After the palatial appetite was satisfied, the Marion quartette, consisting of the voices of Messrs Woodward, Sheriff, Uhl and Hess, fed the musical tastes with songs effectively rendered Among the pieces were "Moonlight on the Lake," "Old Oaken Bucket," "The Old Sexton," "Let Me Dream," and several other select pieces, which will long dwell in the memory and often fill with delight the fortunate listeners.

As a souvenir of the enjoyable occasion a photograph of the hosts and delighted guests will be ready to be shown to friends who were unable to be present

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Death of W. P. Dumble.

Most of the older and middle aged citizens of Marion will remember William P Dumble, whose death occurred at Washington, D C, on Monday, August 22 He was for a long time a resident of Marion, editing the Independent in the stirring times of Civil war. He had been in the government's employ for fourteen years. He was 58 years old, and a kind and Christian gentleman, for whom all acquaintances had much respect.

From the Independent of Friday we clip the following

"The remains of Mr William P Dumble arrived in Mt Gilead, his former home, on Thursday evening last, about 9 o clock, accompanied by his wife, daughter, grandson and son-in-law The party was met at the depot by friends from Marion and Mt. Gilead The remains were escorted to the residence of Mr Abner Ustic, where they remained until half past 1 o'clock on Friday, when the funeral occurred Brief services were conducted by the Rev Mr Eagleson, of the Presbyterian church—regular services having been held at Mr Dumble's residence in Washington before the body left that city The funeral was attended by many of his old neighbors, friends and relatives from Mt Gilead, Marion, Southern Ohio, Washington City and elsewhere The body was consigned to the grave in the beautiful cemetery in Mt Gilead, where it will be watched over and decorated with flowers in the years to come with fraternal affection 'The memory of the just shall live forever'"

Preparing for the Fair.

There is to be a meeting of the Agricultural Board on Tuesday, Sept 6, to close up preliminary arrangements for the Marion county fair. Notwithstanding the late date, no pains will be spared to make it the best exhibition yet given There is already promises of the best racing ever seen on the grounds

Mr M Shoemaker, Vice President Northern National Bank, Toledo, Ohio, having suffered for years with rheumatism and tried all remedies known to alleviate, says, Surprise Liniment is the best remedy he has ever used. Try it at druggists

SURPRISE MEDICINE CO., Sandusky, O.

WHO STRUCK FIRST?

A Fight Between Two of the Gentler Sex Working into Court.

Justice Payne's office was the scene of a queer trial Saturday, the leading participants being Mrs Kitching and Mrs Bert Stoll The former is the housekeeper occupying Horatio Hoyle's home, the latter Mr. Hoyle's daughter who left the paternal roof with the mother when the family separation was made

It seems that Mrs Hoyles and Mrs Stoll had left some goods at Hoyle's when they left, among them being some curtains Last Friday Mrs Stoll called for her curtains when Mrs Kitching met her on the porch and told her she couldn't have them Then a rough and tumble fight ensued, which resulted in breaking the glass in the door, Mrs Stoll getting a badly cut arm and Mrs Kitching losing several locks of hair.

Mrs. Kitching was arrested for assault and the stronger testimony showed that she struck Mrs Stoll first, with a broom-handle After she was bound over to court under $100 bond, her attorney had Mrs Stoll arrested, but the Justice only felt warranted in placing her under bond as a witness

Burglars Arrested.

About 2 o'clock Sunday morning Policeman Mack was making his rounds along the alley between Main and East streets when he heard voices back of Williams & Leffler's merchant tailoring establishment After listening to satisfy himself what was up, he threw his light on them and covered them with a revolver until Whipps was called, and then the two persons thus found were led to the city prison

On their persons were found two carpenter's chisels, a screw driver, a lady's pocket-book and a revolver, thus showing plainly the object of their visit despite their protests that they were carpenters and were hunting a place to sleep

Having no evidence against the parties, though arrested under the most suspicious circumstances, they can not be punished as their cases would seem to demand, but they are liable for carrying concealed weapons and for that offense the Cleveland work house is the severest penalty Thither they will be sent

Policeman Masterson went to Cleveland Tuesday morning with Wm Henry and Harry Woodrose, the arrested burglars, to place them in the workhouse They were sentenced to 30 days and $25 fine, making in all 90 days

Give Them the Cold Shoulder.

In various parts of the neighborhood adjacent to Marion the more substantial farmers have had their orders solicited for groceries at wholesale One agent goes in advance to announce the coming of the order man, and then comes the latter with a bland smile and his deceptive prices Most people will find they save nothing by buying goods of such fellows, for the apparent salvage is lost to the buyer in some manner or other

Anyhow our home dealers deserve the trade They join the farmer in the burden of taxes, handle their produce and provide them accommodations when in town Thus they merit the home trade, and the farmer who denies it to them is neither public spirited, appreciative of circumstances or doing as he ought Patronize home whenever possible

Real Estate Transfers.

S A. Cooper to A. J Thomasson, lots 230, 231, 54 and 55 in New Bloomington, $260

Same to same 15 acres in Big Island tp $1100

H True to Mary E Blake, lot 1322 in Marion, $200

Same to Margaret L Bush lot 1470 in Marion, $200

H True to Mary E Blake, ¼ acre in Marion corp., $50

T B Fisher to J W Stringer, lot 1584 in Marion, $400.

W P Kraner to Adam Ploch, part of lot 325 in Marion, $200

L J Adams to John Mukey, lot 5 in C Gast's add'n to Prospect, $250

J S Reed to Fred Sautter lot 11 in east Marion, $450.

That Salt Rock Sensation.

The following harmless denial was handed the STAR Friday night with no names attached, but a request for publication

"We, the persons interested in the article as set forth in the Marion STAR of August 18th, do brand it as an infamous lie"

As it is said to be the needed balm to settle all trouble, we offer it without comment, save to say that the STAR never misrepresents without correcting and we have seen a half column article recently that did not contain half so much deception as the three lines above. The fact that the "we" do not sign their names is significant

Tough Theatrical Sailing.

The Hamersly Opera company, which played to fair houses here all last week, seems to have come to Marion in debt quite badly, and the engagement here did not pay out fast enough to satisfy the demands of some creditors John S Ely, a member of the company, claimed some advanced money due him, and to secure it he had Constable Jones attach the box office receipts together with the stage property of the company With the property in the Constable's hands, the company went to Galion, from which place Mr Hamersly returned Monday and settled matters

Our Population.

A C. Bowen has just completed the official enumeration of Marion, and since the figures are correct they might be pasted up for reference

Total population of corporation of Marion is 5231, divided as follows First ward, 1818, Second ward, 953, Third ward, 1315, Fourth ward, 1146

In the suburbs there are 921, divided as follows North Marion, 222, south Marion, 99, east Marion, 117, west Marion, 483

Thus the total corporation and suburb population is 6152

TOLEDO, O, Oct 1, 1885

I have been a great sufferer for years with neuralgia in my head. I tried Surprise Liniment and found it the only thing that would give me instant relief Am free from neuralgia now, and have been for the past two years JOHN S. ROWE

GOING FAST!

Our great closing out sale is cleaning out our stock much faster than we expected, but still there is a good choice left to select from, especially in our $5.50 and $8.75 suits, which are worth twice the amount.

☞Now is the chance to get your boy a School Suit for little money.

KLEINMAIER BROS., Cash Clothiers.

ROUND ABOUT US

Neighborhood Notes Culled from Exchanges and Rehashed for the Occasion.

State Live Stock commission has ordered railroads not to unload Texas cattle in Ohio except in separate yards, before Nov 1 A quarantine at the expense of the owners and a $500 fine is imposed for violations

The Isaac Harter mill at Fostoria, with a capacity of 1200 barrels, started up last week Their first shipment of flour was to Scotland This mill will be hard competition, as it is run by natural gas, and consequently the consumption of fuel is comparatively nothing

Cora Miller, a pretty Bucyrus blonde, aged 21, fired a pistol ball through herself in an effort to die because her lover couldn't get a livery rig to take her to Galion, Sunday This should serve as a warning to lovers to make no engagements until they are sure of the necessary conveyances Cora stands a show of recovering

A special from Delaware to the Columbus Dispatch says About midnight on Saturday night, Evan Roberts, a well known citizen of Radnor, was waylaid by two men who were not identified In defending himself, Roberts was attacked with a dirk, with which his clothes were cut to pieces, though he was only slightly cut. The highwaymen succeeded in getting $10 from their victim

A dispatch from Mt Gilead, says The Hydraulic Press company have submitted a proposition to the citizens of this place to rebuild their works within our corporate limits, provided the grounds for the buildings and a small amount of money is donated them A large meeting was held by the citizens Saturday evening for the purpose of considering the matter and committees were appointed to raise the necessary funds The works will be built on a much larger scale than before and will furnish employment for a much larger force of men

Lima oil producers are in somewhat better humor than for some time past caused by the fact that a number of prominent Eastern capitalists have been there for several days closeted with several of the largest producers, and a combination has at last been formed for the purpose of handling and refining the Ohio oil at better prices than are paid at present A large refinery will be erected there at once, and almost all of the wells connected by pipe lines The Eastern men are backed by almost unlimited capital, and it is the purpose of the syndicate to invest half a million dollars in its plant

SELLS BROTHERS ENROUTE

The Famous Trio in the Field this Year with a Strikingly Novel Exhibition.

Already the people hereabouts are on the tiptoe of expectancy over the forthcoming visit of Sells Brothers' Enormous United Shows which exhibits in Marion, Tuesday, Sept 13 Probably the approach of no other tented exhibition has ever attracted such widespread interest in this vicinity as have the announcements of this engagement Sells Brothers' star is high in the ascendant this season Never before in the history of tented amusements has a management met with such dazzling and sweeping success as has marked the tour of Messrs Sells the present summer The show is said to be a revelation in every department Money has been expended with a lavish hand to augment and perfect this exhibition to a point never attained by a contemporary, and the magnificent patronage that is being accorded is a fitting tribute to the managerial sagacity of its famous proprietors Some of the special attractions are a company of Arabian soldiers and acrobats, Prince Misiko's Japanese circus, and Alexander McGregor's troupe of Scotch athletes, who appear in a series of remarkable athletic games and broad sword combats on horseback Other features of the "circus proper" are the marvelous performances of the gigantic herd of elephants, including the laughable act of "Sid," the almost human elephantine clown, and the exhibition of the educated stallions, ponies, zebras, donkeys and pigs Twenty high priests of Momus will participate in a clowns' congress A recent acquisition of this establishment is an imposing reproduction of the classic Roman hippodrome, with all its vivid and startling effects Some 60 fleet footed thoroughbred equines appear in the series of races An other notable novelty is Pawnee Bill's great "Wild West" show, comprising 100 celebrated scouts, cowboys, rifle and pistol experts, Indians and vaqueros The "Wild West" and hippodrome races are given on an immense track that encircles the three rings and stage The menagerie, Indian village and museum and ethnological congress, also possess exceptional merit That the Messrs Sells will meet with an ovation here can be set down as a certainty

SANDUSKY, O, Nov. 27 1885

I have used Surprise Liniment for rheumatism and testify it is the very best remedy I have ever tried My wife used it for sore throat and found speedy relief

EDWARD COLLEY, Coal Dealer

THOUGHTS!

—FOR—

PEOPLE WHO REASON.

We know that no thinking persons will believe every advertisement claiming the "largest stock" and the "cheapest prices" All dealers cannot truthfully claim these, for there is but one firm that can have the largest stock and but one that can sell the cheapest. Now someone has been misrepresenting the case, and patrons should learn whom to depend upon. Personal examination will settle the matter. We claim the largest stock and sell at the lowest prices, and can verify the statement to all who call at our store

☞New goods in Ladies' Fine Shoes just received, and a splendid line of Gents' Fine Foot Wear.

TRISTRAM & YOUNG.

Now for the Palace Grocery!

Before you buy, stop and think that the Palace Grocery sells more goods for $1 than you can buy at any other store in the city. Look at the paralyzers:

SUGARS.		Peaches, for table, yellow,	15
21 lbs, Brown,	$1 00	" " " "	20
15½ lbs Light Brown,	1 00	" " " "	25
15 lbs Pure White,	1 00	" " " "	30
13 lbs Best granulated,	1 00	Apricots, best California,	25
PRUNES.		Grapes, best California,	25
Fine French,	08	Pears, " "	25
Fine French,	10	Plums, " "	25
CANNED GOODS—FOR PIES.			
Peaches,	10		
Blackberries,	10		
Strawberries,	10		
Whortleberries,	10		
Raspberries,	10		
Plums,	10		
Pumpkin,	10		
Tomatoes, good,	15		

S. A. Rurs' Celebrated Starch Compound and Bleaching Blue.

It will not make your clothes green or yellow, as other bluings do, but will make them from 3 to 6 shades whiter than any other bluing in the market.

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ONE OF THE HEROES.

AN AMERICAN JOURNALIST'S TRIP ACROSS THE DESERT TO KHIVA

A Journey of 600 Miles Through Silent Desolation—300 Miles of Desert—Reporting the Massacres of Bulgaria. The Grave

And now we come to another American who should be enshrined as one of the heroes of the century His name is J A MacGahan Like many other great men he was from Ohio He went to Europe to complete his collegiate studies The Franco Prussian war broke out He entered the field as a correspondent He did good work, and when the war closed he was in journalism for life He visited Siberia and described its life Information reached him that Gen Kaufman and the Grand Duke Nicolas were about to make an assault on Khiva It was Russia's boldest move toward India He determined to witness it He hurried south, but missed the moving column Then he prepared for what proved to be one of the most daring rides ever made by man It was a journey of 600 miles through silent desolation, with 300 miles of desert Many times he lost his way Several times he and his men were prostrated by the heat and thrown upon the sands, only to be revived by the coming of the night But despite the loss of horses despite the daily rebellion of his attendants, despite frequent exhaustion and semi starvation for nearly two months, he pushed through the arid wastes All through that region he was called "Molodyetz"—a brave fellow

After he had started, the Russians wanted him back Twenty five Cossacks, splendid horsemen, were dispatched to overtake him For nearly 600 miles they chased him across that terrible country, but when they arrived at a halting place they always found that MacGahan had left it a few hours before The people even laughed at the idea of their trying to catch such a brave fellow as the young American Nay more they went so far as to put MacGahan's pursuers off the track, and in the town from which they started, the admiration for the correspondent's pluck was so great that a celebration was arranged to welcome him should he be overtaken and brought back But he was not overtaken

He had started for Khiva and to Khiva he would go He entered the Russian camp a specter of himself Officers stopped in the midst of battle to express their admiration He had one chance in a hundred of getting through that desert alive He accepted it, and he not only won, but he eluded the Cossacks He saw Khiva taken He was one of the first to enter its portals, and his description of it and the fight stands on record as a masterpiece of its kind

Why did he risk his life in this way? Every step he took, every pound of flesh he lost—and he lost nearly all of it—was for one purpose, and one only to get the news, to reach Khiva to lay before the world the story of Russia's first step toward India

ANOTHER ACHIEVEMENT

Nor was this his last achievement In the spring of 1876 he was in London Picking up a paper he read a brief dispatch telling of the Turkish massacre in Bulgaria He saw the tremendous importance of the item In an hour he had arranged to go to Bulgaria He hurried to the scene of the crimes He painted them in master strokes He pictured the dead girls in the pillaged towns He went everywhere cheering the people assisting them, pleading their cause with his pen, telling them that the czar would avenge the outrage and bidding them take courage In thirty days he changed the whole complexion of European politics His letters were the sensation of the world Beaconsfield, the friend of the Turk arose in the house of commons and denounced them as false, he had official denials telegraphed from Constantinople

But MacGahan rode on and wrote on, until the Russian army crossed the Pruth, and then, attached to the staff of the commanding officer, he went through the fire and smoke, writing his splendid descriptions in the midst of battle fighting and laughing and writing and electrifying the world by the words he placed on the telegraph wires He saw Plevna fall he was wounded in Schipka Pass he saw all the big events of the war When Ignatieff drew the famous treaty at San Stefano he said that it would not stand and he lived to see it torn up and laughed at He never made a prediction that was not fulfilled No charge, except the futile denial by Disraeli was ever made against his veracity No man in Europe enjoyed a higher esteem and respect than did he

And when, nine years ago last Thursday, a swift fever carried him beyond all earthly wars, the Russian Gen Skobeleff, closed his eyes and shed tears at his grave The Ohio legislature had his remains removed to his native state When the Grand Duke Nicholas heard of his death he said ' Too bad! He would have been governor of Bulgaria ' And as regularly as the 9th of June comes every hamlet, every village every city of Bulgaria commemorates his death and sends up prayers for the repose of one of the noblest souls that God ever made —Lynn R Meekins' address

A New Beverage

Kaffee thee or coffee tea, is the name of a new beverage prepared from the roasted leaves of the coffee tree According to a late report of Gehe the Malays prefer this tea to coffee, as it is supposed to contain more of the bitter principle and to be more nutritious The decoction looks like coffee smells like tea and tastes like a mixture of both As the leaves contain 0 6 to 0 7 per cent of caffeine this new product may become important as an article of food as well as the source of caffeine —New York Market Journal

'Browning' Oranges for Market

"Browning" oranges grown in the West Indies and Mexico so that they shall pass muster as real Florida fruit is the device of an enterprising Yankee The process consists of putting the fruit into a large sieve and passing it over a hot fire until the oranges contained therein are sufficiently scorched, technically "browned" to give them the true Florida tinge which is peculiar to that delicious orange The "browned" fruit is mostly shipped north and west —Boston Budget

Sunshine at Both Poles

"At each equinox says an astronomer, "there are about 10⁹ hours that both poles have simultaneous view of the sun or part of it and for thirty four hours the whole of its disk is visible to both —Arkansaw Traveler

King Humbert of Italy, has given up tobacco and his health has improved wonderfully

Two Ladies Make a Bet

Two ladies and a gentleman were conversing in the [illegible] corridor yesterday afternoon when a peculiar looking man passed along He was below the medium height of spare figure with long straight hair that hung far down his shoulders and a countenance that showed the scholar's pale cast of thought He was dressed in a well worn suit of black, wore a high slouched hat and carried a small valise in his hand

I'll bet that man is one of our celebrated poets, said one of the ladies going into raptures over the queer little man ' I wouldn't be surprised if it was Stedman Gougham or Stoddard

I'll take that bet replied the other, playfully pulling her purse out of her reticule I am sure the man is an artist and will wager you a package of caramels

The bet was recorded and the ladies delegated their companion to decide the dispute for them It was rather a delicate piece of business and the man was in a quandary how to act He tried to talk the ladies out of their dispute and even offered to pay for the caramels himself but they were so determined that neither would give in The man walked up to the stranger hesitated a moment twirled his mustache meditatively and said ' You must excuse me sir but the two ladies whom I just left were so impressed with your distinguished appearance that they made a little wager as to your profession Would you mind informing me whether you are a poet or an artist

Appearances are deceptive in this world replied the odd little man smiling pleasantly While I am neither a poet nor an artist my calling in life is no less important I have here,' placing the valise on a shelf and producing a small box, 'an invention of my own which I guarantee will remove all corns and bunions Thank you sir here's my card, so you'll know where to find me when you want some more

The bet was declared a draw, but the ladies went home with their pockets full of corn plasters —New York Sun

Tragic Death of a Journalist

Perhaps you have read Albert Millaud's account of the death of Camille Farcy, a correspondent who accompanied the French expedition in Algiers The commander was a martinet who hated newspapers and newspaper men He compelled the correspondents to sign a document which made their mission fruitless Farcy signed it under protest and announced that he should elude the censorship, if possible accepting the penalty as a matter of course A spy was set upon him In less than a week a letter was intercepted It contained criticisms on the general A court martial was summoned Farcy made no defence The verdict was brief

"Camille Farcy is condemned to be shot at 6 in the morning"

He was taken to Tunis for execution The train arrived at 5 30 A ball was in progress at the governor general's house He asked Farcy if he could do anything for him before he died

Yes' he replied I would like to have a waltz before I die

The governor introduced him to his daughter At 6 he bowed to the guests He was conducted to the guard He refused to have his eyes bandaged and demanded permission to give the word of command

"May all journalists do as I have done," said he It is their duty " and folding his arms he cried

Fire!

A crash of muskets and he was dead Rather too theatrical we may say, but we cannot deny the fellow's pluck —Lynn R Meekins in Baltimore American

Band Leader Gilmore's Baton

P S Gilmore's baton is made of a light dry wood, that will give a distinct sharp sound when rapped against the stand With it he gives the most minute instructions to the musicians before him A rap for attention a wave to commence, all eyes of the band are alert to catch the slightest movement of the magic wand for its every motion is an order to them to begin, to cease, to play soft and low or loud and strong every note and expression is the result of some deft movement of the twig like baton Gilmore has them made to order and buys them by the dozen for he wears out one in two or three concerts By the constant rapping the end of the stick becomes battered and frayed and then it is tossed aside its magic power is gone

This year Gilmore took with him to Manhattan Beach 3 000 separate pieces of music The day before the opening three solid tons of sheet music were packed in twenty eight dry goods boxes for shipment to the beach To make this library of music of any value it has to be properly assorted arranged and indexed, which alone requires the services of two competent men New music is constantly being added to the collection and to copy and arrange this for the use of the band require the constant employment of three and sometimes four and five persons —New York Commercial Advertiser

Man Woman and Home

"The difference said Mrs Clara Morris, the actress "between a man and a woman is very often exemplified in their preparation of a home The man makes up his mind that he will have a home in the country and the delights of nature His wife rather prefers to live in the city fearing that she may have her lonely hours However the man as usual prevails and they obtain the country house In the course of a few years the woman falls in love with her home and is perfectly contented there The man goes on building making improvements fixing the place up and when he has got it all done and there is nothing more to do his interest in the place ceases The woman's interest begins when the consummation is reached The man being a mere creature of action pines and is forced to go into a state of rest —Gossip in Cincinnati Enquirer

Finlanders in Washington Territory

There is a community of Finlanders in Klikitat county Washington Territory and they are a most industrious folk When there is a new addition to the community from Finland the settlers gather together and in a few days build a house and fence a farm for him There is no season in which they are idle During the run of salmon they work at the canneries and fish while When winter comes they are in the timber cutting rails posts and fuel —Chicago Herald

In the Strawberry Country

In the strawberry region of New Jersey [illegible] is called to a [illegible] to [illegible] from [illegible] very farm house [illegible] receive the late [illegible] [illegible] telegraph [illegible] three times a day and are distributed by messengers mounted on bicycle The fruit grower is determined by the quotations whether he will ship his day's picking — Chicago Times

MONSTROUS IMPULSES.

LUNAR INFLUENCE AND THE EMOTIONAL FORMS OF INSANITY

Is It Merely a Coincidence —Are Lunar Effects All Moonshine —A Factor Which Cannot be Ignored—Parallels in History—Doctors' Evidence

The medical experts of New York who have studied the aberrations and monstrous impulses of the human mind are nearly as baffled as the detectives and bloodhounds by the revolting series of murders committed in Texas during the past three years Many of them have examined with great care the graphic accounts given in the news columns, especially noting a resemblance in both surroundings and method between the murderous assaults upon the two girls at Gainesville, in that state and the bloody series in Austin, involving nine victims and all women

The doctors find themselves confronted at the outset by a startling trio of facts

1 All these atrocities were committed at the full of the moon

2 In each case there was the same fiendish mutilation of the victim's head, a hatchet being with one exception the weapon used

3 Throughout the series there runs the same incredible craftiness which has baffled discovery

For many years the students of insanity have been growing more material in their [illegible] and, at this time have almost discarded what they call the idle folk lore' about lunar influence on the emotional forms of insanity chiefly such as lead to suicide and homicide Inquiry developed the interesting fact that the younger members of the medical fraternity who have a great ambition to be 'up with the times ' were unanimous in poohpoohing the notion that the moon could have had any effect on the perpetrator of the Texas murders It is merely a coincidence, say these medical beginners, 'that the moon was at its full when these murders were committed ' Then they go on to theorize about as follows

You will find in all cases where there is recurrence of the homicidal mania that the murderer will on each subsequent occasion act at the same time of day and night, and use the same weapons, as on the first occasion Hence the first of these murders having been done in the full moon, and with a hatchet or ax the same holds good of all the series

On the other hand, experienced practitioners in insanity are either less dogmatic against the moonlight theory or frank enough to admit its force Dr E C Spitzka, the well known specialist in the Guiteau and other famous insanity cases, received the reporter cordially He wanted time to examine the case thoroughly After carefully perusing the account the doctor said

This is certainly remarkable There seems to be good reason to suppose that these butcheries were done by the same hand Taking that fact for granted I am prepared to believe, without the slightest doubt, that lunar influence caused this wretch's insane mania to explode, as we say "

But, doctor the physicians claim that the old lunar effects are all 'moonshine?"

Not unreservedly my young friend Science has been weeding out many of these primitive notions about the moon but to deny all influence of the planet on acute nervous organizations or persons subject to aberrations of the mind would be folly Here is a case in point and I will give you illustrations later under the same group Here are eleven butcheries committed at irregular intervals, by the same instrumentalities and always in the full of the moon Lunar influence thus becomes a factor which can't be ignored It is a well known fact that instinctive propensities of the human mind are more under the dominion of the tides and moon than of any other In other words, while lunar influence will not breed insane mania in thoroughly balanced minds it will where such mania or propensities are instinctive frequently cause them to explode

There are still very eminent men in our ranks who go to great extremes in advocating this lunar influence I may mention Dr Koster superintendent of the large insane asylum at Marsberg, near Bonn in Germany He has carried the theory to a more extreme limit than any one else He contends that the moon's influence varies, according to the subject from bi monthly to monthly, bi weekly, etc down to three days and he maintains his theory with great mathematical skill I don't go that far, of course It's a good deal like the exploded notion that pneumonia reaches its crisis on odd days It all depends on when you begin to figure If you get your starting point to suit you you can fix any set of circumstances into your theoretical pigeon hole But I do believe in lunar influence of the kind I have described and in this Texas case I have not the least doubt that the murderer is its victim

The doctor in substance, then expressed his belief that the governing motive of the Texas maniac was clearly an abnormal sensual frenzy This was not by any means uncommon Such aberrations may exist as the combined results of excessive inclination and cynical brutality, in persons not insane by any means They are periodic, and in many instances follow the phases of the moon Homicide was a necessary incident in the Texas crimes and where men came in for butchery it was not because they excited any special bestiality but were simply in the way of the maniac's accomplished purpose and were therefore mowed down like so much grass

There are other manifestations of almost inconceivable brutality One was reported from Scotland many years ago and another of recent date from Colorado And now that we are talking of lunar influence I recall the fact that the Scottish case was at the full of the moon while the attack of the case from Colorado also followed periods of the moon This will help to establish the theory that brutally insane propensities are governed largely by the [illegible] influence of lunar light And yet " the doctor said in conclusion " remember that all these crimes have been committed by persons whose general sanity could not be disputed

Dr Forbes Winslow in summing up various theories on this subject, says it is impossible to ignore altogether the evidence of such men as Pinel, Daquin, Guislain and others Yet the experience of modern psychological physicians is to a great degree opposed to the idea In face of the common mental [illegible] May not the alleged changes observed among the insane at certain phases of the moon arise not from the direct but the indirect influence of this planet? It is well known that the rarity of the air the electric condition of the atmosphere, the degree of heat dryness moisture and amount of wind prevailing are all more or less modified by the state of the moon In the generality of bodily diseases what obvious changes are observed to accompany the meteorological condition [illegible] Surely those suffering from diseases of the brain and nervous system affect [illegible] cannot with any show of reason, be less exempt from the operations [illegible] that are universally admitted to [illegible] affected with their maladies " [illegible] of an intelligent lady who occupied [illegible] of an institution for [illegible] and who invariably observed [illegible] among the patients when the moon was full —New York World

War Implements in the Soudan.

In the storerooms and masters' apartments are to be seen a great variety of objects heaped together or lying about without any attempt at order Here may be found the owner's weapons of war—many double edged swords with scabbards handsomely ornamented with leather and brass and suspended by elaborate and betasseled silk ropes daggers intended to be attached to the wrist by a leather band —the cross shaped handle when thus carried almost lying in the palm of the hand —beautiful long iron spears neatly and prettily inlaid with brass bands and generally barbed revolvers and pistols of the most obsolete types as well as flintlock guns which look as if they would be as dangerous to the user as they could possibly be to the enemy Such are the offensive weapons

But there are also to be seen war dresses of enormously thick quilts, intended specially as a protection against poisoned arrows The warrior when incased in these cumbersome garments looks the most unwieldy and barrel like of African Falstaffs, as he can neither mount his horse nor dismount without assistance, and if unhorsed he is perfectly helpless Many of the wealthy chiefs have also very beautiful coats of chain armor, with head gear to match which are probably of old Moorish workmanship, and are said by the natives to be as old as David, and are accordingly valued at a great price —Harper's Magazine

Several Ways of Dining

There are several ways of dining of which I haven't spoken The cheap bar rooms are served by one of half a dozen firms of what are called free lunch manufacturers, whose wagons go round like the milk and ice carts, delivering a monotonous assortment of chopped herrings, sliced bread sliced tongue and smoked beef, mustard, pickles cheese and crackers In the high priced bar rooms it is possible to make a better meal They present sideboards with tempting arrays of olives, sardines, ham, smoked salmon, corned beef, small sandwiches, Edam cheese, Boston brown bread and white bread A recent fancy is for the bar tender to hand out with each drink a plate with two or three sandwiches and a napkin A great many of the faded genteel youths who hang about Madison square get amply fed in the Hoffman house bar room by ordering a glass of Bass or beer, and then instructing the waiter to bring them first a bowl of soup or hot stew and then a sandwich or two, all of which costs nothing

There is ' The Beefsteak Tavern," over 100 years old, where you order dinner ten days ahead, so that they can hang the steak up that length of time, and there is Beefsteak Johnny's where round steak is served to poor men for five cents a plate Finally there are the not at all dubious but quite too positive females who move about the down town offices selling sandwiches, and a colored man who goes the rounds of the up town bar rooms at night selling soft crabs hot corn, clam fritters, or whatever may be in season —Julian Ralph's New York Letter

College and Workshop.

The father expects the college to do for the son what the home no longer does for him, he sends the college flabby material, and expects the material to be turned into such strong, self poised, self controlled manhood as the American home once furnished to the college If the children's teeth are set on edge, it is largely because the fathers have eaten sour grapes

There can be little doubt that two-thirds of the material now sent to college would be bettered by being put into a workshop of some kind for two years between the ages of 12 and 16 The spread of comfort among the people has been steadily increasing the number of those who can spare their sons the necessity of work even though their years of early manhood and we have not yet come to understand the full measure of the injury which is thus done to the character of the boy —The Century

Answering an Advertisement

A venerable New Yorker recently advertised, asking any one who wished to go to Europe under pleasant auspices to apply to him and giving his address This advertisement was seen late one night by a young man who had been dining freely He cogitated awhile and then told the club porter to call a cab, into which porter and cabby hoisted him He told the man to drive to the address given in the advertisement Arrived there he was assisted to the sidewalk and with much dignity ordered the cabby to practice on the knocker of the old fashioned residence The advertiser stuck his venerable head out of the window and howled ' What do you mean by waking me up at this hour? "Come t'ansher vertishment "Well, sir what have you to say? "That's orri I've come to shay "Very shorry but I can't go with you Goo'ni "—The Argonaut

A Hearse as a Memorial

The oldest and most grotesque idea in connection with Queen Victoria's half century that has come under our notice is that adopted by two villages in the west of England which are reported as having 'clubbed together to buy a hearse as a public memorial for the jubilee " This seems to have been done in good faith It strongly suggests Mark Tapley's remark when he was looking out for ' something in the grave digging way' "It's a good, damp wormy sort of business, sir "—New York Tribune

Belles Who Carry Canes

The latest craze which has struck the Washington belle is the carrying of canes A few weeks ago a young leader in society returned from England and the next day she surprised her friends by appearing on the street with a cane, writes a correspondent It wasn't the ordinary dude cane but a nice little stick with a sheep herd's crook of hammered silver Sometimes she swung it and at other times she struck the ground with a sharp rap —Washington Letter

Health Hints

For biliousness a plain diet of bread milk oatmeal vegetables and fruit with lean meat or fresh fish is advised Exercise in the open air helps The victim of an acute attack will be righted by first, abstinence second porridge and milk, third toast a little meat and ripe fruit coming thus gradually to the solid food again —Medical and Surgical Journal

A Scotchman's Speech

At a jubilee meeting held lately in a northern town in Scotland a Scotchman who was present made the following speech ' The queen is a discreet and careful lady and I am always vary proud to follow her gude example I ken weel that her gracious majesty will no gie a bawbee so I'll just gie the same amount mysel "—Chicago News.

THE ROYAL CASTE.

AN ARISTOCRACY HOLDING POSITION FAR ABOVE NOBILITY

The Precedence of Its Members Accompanied by the Slavish Respect Once Paid Also to the Nobles—A Curious Mark of Grade

An occasion like the jubilee brings out very sharply the singular social position of the royal caste of Europe That caste, which consists essentially of two families or clans, all the Catholic and all the Protestant royalties being more or less closely related either by marriage or by blood, is growing numerous and tends to become a minute but closely knit aristocracy claiming, and in certain ways securing, a position greatly above that of the European nobility The precedence of its members, besides being uncontested, as that of no noble is, is European instead of local, and is accompanied, and as it were marked, by a deferential and even slavish respect which was once paid also to the nobles but is now in their case slowly perceptibly dying away No noble is now beyond the law, as some of the princes at least—e g, the heads of the mediatized families—undoubtedly are

CURIOUS MARK OF GRADE

It is a curious mark of grade but it is a very real one, that on the continent of Europe a prince is the only man except a priest who cannot be compelled to accept a challenge He has theoretically no equal except in his own caste and even imperious military opinion acknowledges his exemption Certain forms too are observed in receiving and in addressing royalties which are not maintained for any other human beings, and they are waited on even by nobles as gentlemen would be ashamed to wait on the members of any other class Though as a rule not wealthy, and undistinguished either by intellectual ability or service to the states to which they belong, they are everywhere treated as ' the first,' and maintain, without exciting envy, an exclusiveness as rigid as that of Indian Brahmins or pious Jews They marry only among themselves, they claim and enforce a special marriage privilege, which is, in fact, a right to have their recognized concubines acknowledged by society and though the fortunes some of them possess are distributed with a strange inequality, and they begin to be solicitous for wealth, yet they resist with immovable tenacity what must be the severe temptation to absorb the great heiresses of European society

A Colonna may marry the daughter of the greatest of American money makers and the derogation is forgiven for the gain, but the poorest Hohenzollern or Bourbon may not stoop to the most beautiful or accomplished lady of many millions They begin more and more to associate only with each other, roaming over Europe to avoid the tedium of a too contracted social circle and at all ceremonial functions they supersede alike the nobles and the statesmen In the arrangements for the jubilee for example ' the princes ' known and unknown, illustrious and obscure, were all alike in front, and the great nobles and high placed personages of the realm, soldiers or statesmen or diplomats were all relegated to the crowd No noble except Lord Lorne appeared in the procession as an invited guest and the exception only made the rule more conspicuous

ROYALTY EVERYWHERE FIRST

Courts settle rank in Europe and the courts unanimously insist that the descendants of royalty even if dethroned shall count everywhere first Not only will the kings not marry legally at all events, outside the clan but they exert a steady and effective pressure in favor of restricting all thrones when vacant to the clan alone Nothing can be more absurd in theory than for a new state like Belgium or Bulgaria, which needs an organizing chief, a statesman or a soldier to choose a prince who may or may not be capable of ruling but the statesmen know well that if they step outside the clan "European sympathy will be forfeited " or, in plainer words that the sovereigns who move armies will think they are dealing with disagreeable upstarts Bernadotte only kept his throne at the price of turning on his own country—where he is still regarded as a traitor—and King Milan the only member of an obscure family with a recognized crown, will probably lose for want of the determined protection that had he been born within the caste would have been afforded him That protection was not, it is true, granted to Alexander of Battenberg but then, the Battenbergs are hardly royal, and protection to him might have precipitated the gravest of all wars The moment he was gone, the Bulgarians examined Europe with a microscope to find an acceptable prince but they knew perfectly well that their choice was restricted to those whom the sovereigns recognize as socially their equals

It is that recognition, not birth alone, which gives the princely caste its unique and almost inexplicable place in Europe and as long as that recognition continues so long will that place be maintained In other words the social privilege of the princely caste will probably endure as long as the great monarchies—a period which may be ages, or may in spite of appearances, be shortened to decades —Home Journal

The "Boiled Shirt" Must Go

It is a favorite practice of lady writers to reply to comments upon the uncomfortable nature of women's apparel by holding up the discomforts of certain articles of male attire notably the boiled shirts ' A shield bosom heavily starched shirt may be uncomfortable but it never could equal a corset in that respect Men are always ready to sacrifice appearance during the summer months for comfort and fancy French flannel shirts have this summer obtained a popularity never anticipated They have been the proper caper at the lake and mountain resorts for a long time but the style was set of wearing them every day in New York city by some fashionable young men and has taken so well there and here that by next summer the linen shirt will be practically abandoned for wear during the business hours They are neat and delightfully comfortable and once adopted are not abandoned —N A Steer in Globe Democrat

The Best School of Journalism

The only really successful school of journalism is hard work on a real newspaper and the earlier in life such training is begun and the lower down on the ladder the student commences the better are his chances for ultimate success Yet after all the schools of journalism do no harm They will at least teach the young writer how to spell, how to word a sentence grammatically and punctuate it properly and for this the overworked "copy chopper" will rise up and call them blessed —Journalist

The Lloyds Gift to London

A [illegible] recently presented to the [illegible] of London by Lloyd the [illegible] exchange [illegible] recovered from the [illegible] after [illegible] during a period of [illegible] From the [illegible] record it appears that on October 9, 1799 [illegible] thirty two [illegible] Yarmouth [illegible] In [illegible] and [illegible] ceased to blow [illegible] and [illegible] diving operations during eighteen months resulted in the recovery of $100 in specie In 1811 further attempts were made to get at the wreck which had become deeply imbedded in the sand, but with very indifferent success the result of several years' toil being the recovery of only a few pieces of silver In 1832 several thousand pounds were spent in diving operations, but the result was absolutely nil

Next Lloyds appeared on the scene and after much negotiation the Dutch government agreed to hand over half of further [illegible] recovered to Lloyds From 1822 to [illegible] spasmodic efforts were made to fish up further specie but the result was merely anxiety and vexation of spirit to those engaged in the venture In 1857 a further agreement was entered into between the Dutch government and Lloyds and from 1857 to 1861 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] good fortune attended the efforts of the searchers about [illegible] 000 being the amount [illegible] Lloyds have some interesting relics we [illegible] including part of the ship's rudder and her bells Further operations were continued with [illegible] success as proved by the gift recently made to the city corporation The question now is What are they going to do with it —Boston Transcript

English and American Smokers

"One of the features of American street life that struck an Englishman on his arrival here [illegible] says a young Londoner whose acquaintance I made at the Palmer house one evening or two ago "is the abundance of cigars I was simply astonished to observe on my arrival here [illegible] persons of every [illegible] [illegible] with hands full smoking cigars In [illegible] you know where cigars cost [illegible] much [illegible] [illegible] a man who never smokes anything on the street but a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and if [illegible] a gentleman of limited property [illegible] [illegible] every extravagant fellow [illegible] What do [illegible] smoke? Why pipes of course [illegible] —London fellows too—who [illegible] [illegible] from £100 to £1 000 a year [illegible] inveterate smokers and who [illegible] as much reverence [illegible] [illegible] no doubt The [illegible] of them smoke [illegible] pence or six cents apiece per day [illegible] that the [illegible] extravagance of the American smoker who, though he may be too poor to buy [illegible] when the cold [illegible] will [illegible] to smoke a pipe on the street [illegible] In London if a costermonger or a cabman appeared among his comrades with a lighted cigar in his mouth he would be hooted from one end of the street to the other for endeavoring to assume a luxury his circumstances in life did not entitle him to ' —Chicago Journal

The Logic of Events

The people of Los Angeles tell a story to the effect that Senator Stanford opposed the extension of the Southern Pacific southward into San Diego county some years ago, and that he answered the importunities of a prominent official of the road by asking what use there was of building a road into a country where they had to import potatoes and other vegetables On the occasion of the recent visit of the senator to southern California while in Los Angeles in company with the official before alluded to his attention was called by the latter to a train of freight cars on the track of the Atchison and Topeka company marked perishable Do you know what those cars contain senator? queried the official No answered the senator in an interested tone Potatoes ' was the reply So much emphasis was placed on the word that the senator remembered I suppose it out of years before He was probably convinced that it is not always wise to wait until the freight is in sight before providing facilities for hauling it —San Francisco Chronicle

Best Diet for Summer

"Farinaceous food has of late become very popular with Brooklynites " said a local restaurateur recently Why? Because in summer a man doesn't need so much blood producing diet as he does in winter The proper diet for hot weather is milk, bread and once a day if a man works hard a little meat won't hurt him Nothing is more heating to the blood than roast beef and he who wishes to be cool in summer will avoid it Yes, I admit that many men can't drink milk but these men have weak stomachs and in consequence don't enjoy life Let me tell you young man when one has dyspepsia as I have had it life is not worth fighting for Am I cured? Well I should say so You want to know what effected the cure? Clams Clam juice not clams, mind you but the juice as it comes from the clam when opened If it were possible I would have clam juice bottled and sold as a cure for dyspepsia It never fails to do the work —Rambler ' in Brooklyn Eagle

A Mistaken Idea

There is an idea abroad in the minds of altogether too many that it is mean or close or stingy for one man to drink anything when friends are within call without asking them all to join him This absurd sentiment has its counterpart in the breast or the friends thus treated who assume that they will each and all be considered mean unless they at once reciprocate the treat by treating the original treater to another drink The vulgar commercial quid pro quo element which is thus forced into the thing known as social drinking is in itself much more deserving of the epithet mean than the thing which it is supposed to avoid Nevertheless it is a custom and is yielded to by thousands of men young and old who know better but are afraid of being misunderstood and criticised if they ignore it —New Haven Palladium

Against Dialect Literature

We are not a nation of dialect [illegible] As a people we do not believe that American humor borrows any excellence or any real acceleration of current from bad spelling or a hideous punctuation and yet our magazines and newspapers are too often guilty of presenting our literature as a [illegible] [illegible] by ourselves at the expense of our own dignity I do not say that what we are pleased to call dialect literature ought to disappear but I do say that it is supreme in our published writing [illegible] the extent of a total lack of patriotism in our literary life for if we were sincerely American in our literary work we should desire him in a nobler strain of [illegible] when attempting to represent American life and American aspirations —Maurice Thompson

A PIN

Oh I know a certain woman who is reckoned with the good
But she fills me with more terror than a raging [illegible]
The little chills run up and down my spine when [illegible]
Though she seems a gentle creature and she's very trim and neat
And she has a thousand virtues and not one acknowledged [illegible]
But she is the sort of person you could liken to a pin
And [illegible] you and she sticks you, in a way that can't be seen—
When you seek for what has hurt you why, you cannot find the head

But she fills you with discomfort and exasperating pain—
If any one inquires you why you really can't explain
A [illegible] such a tiny thing—of that there is no doubt—
Yet when it's sticking in your flesh, you're wretched till it's out

She is wonderfully observing—when she meets a pretty girl
She is always sure to tell her if her bang is out of curl
And she is so sympathetic to her friend who's much admired
She is often heard remarking ' Dear, you look so worn and tired

And she is a careful critic for on yesterday she eyed
The new dress I was airing with a woman's natural pride
And she said Oh how becoming, and then softly added it
Is really a misfortune that the basque is such a fit

Then she said If you had heard me yestereve, I'm sure my friend
You would say I am a champion who knows how to defend
And she left me with the feeling—most unpleasant I aver
That the whole world would despise me if it had not been for her

Whenever I encounter her in such a nameless way
She gives me the impression I am at my worst that day
And the hat that was imported (and that cost me half a sonnet)
With just one glance from her round eyes becomes a Dowdy bonnet

She is always bright and smiling, sharp and shining for the thrust—
Use does not seem to blunt her point, nor does she gather rust
Oh! I wish some kindly specimen of mankind would begin
To tidy up the world for me by picking up this pin

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox in The Century

What He Had in His Basket

He was one of those long, thin, dried up fellows with a parchment skin and sharp eyes and a sharp nose who are always prying into things It was on the Saucelito boat, and a fellow came on board with a basket and sat down near him There was something very important in the basket for the fellow kept peering in all the time and looking to see if the lid was securely fastened The sharp nosed man began to feel an interest and his curiosity kept rising higher and higher until when the fellow had peeped into the basket for the fiftieth time he couldn't stand it any longer

'I beg your pardon, but you're so interested in that basket you really excite me What have you got in it?'

The fellow looked at him a moment

'I'll tell you, certainly You won't give it away?'

'I give you my word '

'Well it's a mongaroo '

"A mongaroo! And what is a mongaroo?"

"You don't know what a mongaroo is? A mongaroo is an animal found in Africa that lives entirely on snakes "

' And how are you going to get snakes for it to eat?'

Oh you see I'm taking it to my brother He's a confirmed drinker, and '——

But I don't see '——

"Well he's always seeing snakes and I'm going to ——

'But how can this animal live on imaginary snakes?'

Oh this is an imaginary mongaroo "

Then the sharp nosed man went into the cabin and sat down opposite a girl who is supposed to be in Saucelito for change of air but comes over here four days out of the week —San Francisco Chronicle.

The Power of Imagination

A lawyer driving along a country road asked a woman who was walking in the same direction which way he had to turn to reach B—— The woman gave him directions and added that she was going in that direction and would point out the way "All right, good woman,' said the lawyer, 'jump up better bad company than none " After jogging some miles further the woman descended and thanked him for the drive Have I much further to go ere I reach the B—— road?' asked the limb of the law 'Oh, you passed it some two or three miles back," was the answer but as I thought bad company better than none I brought you on "—Unidentified

'Tip 'I'm a Little Latin "

Yes said Mr Mally sadly, I lost my case—lost it by the injudicious language of my lawyer Mr Tilly '

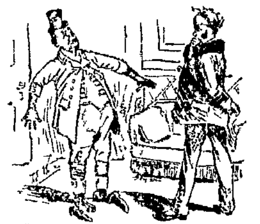
Why how was that, Mr Mally?'

'Why when my lawyer was closing his argument he thought to make a good point by saying Let justice be done though the heavens fall'

I shouldn't think that would have injured your case

'It did for the lawyer on the other side in closing said Fiat justitia, ruat cœlum' That settled the business with the jury, and I had to pay damages —Boston Courier

A New Livery



'What does this rig mean Sambo?'

Well, massa I heard so much 'bout servants wearin libbery that I jis done bought one at a second hand store How you like 'em? —Texas Siftings.

A Condensed Novel

Twenty beaux in fine clothes
Wooed Miss de la Manches
Her old dad ducats had—
Stock in mines railroads, ranches

One fine day passed away
All De Manche's rhino,
Now a beau came along
Save Paul Pencil Shino

Report this—inky hair—
Was this constant lover
Marches gold once more rolled
Paul now munches clover

—New York Journal.

LOCAL NEWS.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Fisher have returned from the Northwest.

—Mrs. C. P. Hudson, of Galion, is the guest of Mrs. George W. Holland.

—Will Springer is again a messenger on the Erie Express over the C. and A.

—Dr. Hamilton and wife left Wednesday for Columbus to make a short visit.

—Mrs Godfrey Leffler left for Columbus Wednesday to visit her daughters during the week.

—Miss Lucia May Wiant returned from a professional trip in Illinois Wednesday evening.

—Ed Underwood, the well-known grocery clerk, has accepted a position at George Brown's.

—Mrs. L. W. Eckhardt and children, of Findlay, are visiting Mrs. E.'s sister, Mrs. Joe Matthews.

D. F. Edwards has returned to business after a week's vacation, spent at Medina and Cleveland.

—J. A. Vail is erecting a neat new dwelling house on south East street, north of the Lutheran church.

—Miss Stella Tristram and Mr. and Mrs. George Holland were among the Marion visitors in Cincinnati.

—Misses Stella and Ella Ault, Misses McMurray and Pattie Thompson were spending Thursday at Prospect.

—Miss S. Alice Bunker, of Clay Centre, Kas., is again in the city, the guest of Mrs. Eva D. Bunker and daughters.

—Miss Emma Beyer has returned to her home in Chicago after a pleasant visit in this city with the Misses Peuser.

—The demand for houses to rent grows no less. A. LaTourrette intends erecting four in the manufacturing end of town.

—Mrs C. E. Sargent is at her old position as saleslady at Warner & Edwards' in the place of Mrs. F. Bonts, who is at home ill.

—John Frash, of Huntington, Ind., and W. S. Frash, of this city, left for New York, Tuesday, to purchase fall and winter goods.

—The County Commissioners were in session Friday giving a hearing to the objections to the apportionment on the Morris pike.

—R. T. Parkinson will exhibit a Leader thresher at the Indiana State Fair next week for the Marion Manufacturing company.

—Mrs Geo. W. Riley and children, of Topeka, Kas., are visiting Mrs. S. D. Bates and other friends, after an absence of nine years.

—W. G. MacEdwards was down from Huntington Thursday on C. and A. business. His acquaintances are always pleased to see him.

—T. Kelly, A. Leffler, James Reynolds, Wm. Byers and others attended the reunion of the 61st and 82d regiments at Kenton, Tuesday.

—Dr. H. Russel Burner, of the Ohio Reform Medical Institute, made his first professional visit to Marion Wednesday, stopping at the Kerr.

—George Johnson, representing the Little Nugget company, which transferred here Friday, was shaking hands with his many Marion acquaintances.

—Miss Mary Bowen left Thursday for Columbus, where she will enter Hudson's College of Short Hand and finish her studies in the art of stenography.

—Mrs. L. Sabine, accompanied by her daughter Jennie and son George Holland Sabine, is visiting at the home of G. W. Holland, on east South street.

—Greenville J. Lother, of Cardington, and Miss Anna V. Emery, of Waldo, were married at the M. E. parsonage, Tuesday afternoon, by Rev. A. C. Barnes.

—President Benedict, of the C. and A., passed through Marion on train 5 Wednesday on his way to Huntington to attend the annual election of C. and A. directors.

—Rev. W. E. Thomas has returned from Pennsylvania and reports a very pleasant visit. Mrs. Thomas did not return with her husband, and will remain a short time longer.

—J. S. Duff took out his first express run on train 3 Thursday. John was very shy and did not feel at home in overalls, but of course he will get over that just as the other boys did.

—Rev. M. C. Miner, pastor of the Free Baptist church, will hold regular Sunday services at the church on Sunday. He will have returned home by that time from Bone Gap, Ill.

—The doctors are kept on the go very busily. Fevers and stomach trouble are very prevalent, though more so in the country than in town. Very few cases are necessarily fatal, however.

—H. H. Cunningham and Frank Schrote leave for Boston, Saturday night with as fine a car load of twenty-one horses as has ever left Marion. Of course, Hen won't start until after the Democratic convention adjourns.

—Marion Stoll and Miss Kate Beecher were married Friday evening at the bride's home, on Park street. Immediate relatives were present to witness the ceremony, after which supper was served and all went to their respective homes.

—The picnic of the Sabbath school of St. Paul's church, at the fair grounds Thursday, was certainly a pleasant affair. The weather was delightful and the merry crowd bent on enjoyment, so the occasion could not have been otherwise than a happy event.

—The stone for the Memorial chapel arrived Wednesday and the force of workmen began laying it Thursday morning. The cutting and dressing is practically all done and there is nothing to prevent an early completion. The new bell for the chapel has also arrived.

B. CHASE, ATTORNEY. J. A. HUNTER. NOTARY PUBLIC.

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REAL ESTATE!
INSURANCE and LOANS.

—A. H. Kling was attending the State Fair, having been favored with the appointment as judge of the races.

—George Wiler, of the firm of J. B. Lutz & Co., is again seriously afflicted with rheumatism of the shoulder.

—E. Y. Smith has located here permanently and will engage in the manufacture of home-made chocolate drops.

—N. Y., P. and O. trains 1 and 3 continue to be more or less late every day. The heavy freight and passenger business both tend to bring about that result.

—Mirror: Revs. Stull and Crouse are in attendance as delegates at the general conference of the Evangelical church, held at Buffalo, N. Y., this coming week.

—Ed Parks, M. J. Bell and F. B. Lapham are new messengers here for the Erie express runs on the C. and A., and Jim Cull, formerly on the U. S. run, is also on the messenger force. Joe Ritter has withdrawn.

—The Haley ditch claimants, from Claridon and Richland townships, were given a hearing before the county commissioners Wednesday, but the meeting had to be adjourned to another date, owing to some of the interested parties not having been notified.

—Caledonia Argus: A child of Samuel Croft, aged about two years, died of bowel complaint on Monday morning. Dr. Stone was called, but he could not save it. The funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the house, conducted by Rev. A. Pollock.

—Williams & Gurley have purchased a hay press and are already busily engaged in baling hay for their immense retail trade. It is remarkable what a growth the feed business has attained in their hands, and the STAR takes pleasure in noticing their success.

—The Misses Anna and Clara Lehner, of Oskosh, Wis., were the guests of their cousin, Mrs. A. B. Hess, on south West street. They returned to their home Friday evening, after having had a pleasant sojourn of six weeks with relatives and friends in Ohio.

—Caledonia Argus: J. W. Campbell, who has been lying very low with congestion of the brain for the past few weeks at Buffalo, N. Y., where he was engaged in the commission business for J. V. Harrison, was brought home Saturday, and at last reports his case was looked upon as being serious.

—Fred Haberman, secretary of the Marion Manufacturing company, found the new office at the works almost too small for him this morning. A fine boy was born at his home Thursday night, and the distinction of having a bright son was abundant reasons for Fred's face to be wreathed in smiles.

—The Salvation soldiers' special salvation services Saturday and Sunday, September 3d and 4th, will be the visit of Staff Captain Sully, district officer of Northern Ohio, accompanied by Adjutant Halpin and Bandmaster Trumble—the two musical mysteries. A five-cent offering will be collected at the door each night.

—The two birds arrested here almost in the act of burglary and now serving a workhouse sentence turn out to be very tough characters. One of them made no bones about being a penitentiary bird for more than three years and acknowledged his deserts would place him there for a much longer time. It was a fortunate arrest.

—On next Monday the matter of freeing the Waldo pike will come up before the County Commissioners, as at that time the board of appraisers—Ex-Commissioners Mehaffy, Imbody and Retterer—will make their report. They made their view of the pike August 18th, and have consumed the time since then in agreeing upon what they believe to be a just and proper appraisement.

Wants Things Exact.

Wm. Sopher, of Prospect, whose wife has applied for divorce as already mentioned in these columns, sends the following:

"Mr. Editor:—Wm. Sopher begs leave to present the following: In the first place, Amanda Sopher made a mistake in regard to the number of years he has been an habitual drunkard—it was SEVENTEEN INSTEAD OF SEVEN. As to family duty, however, he did the best he could in that line."

Respectfully,
WM. SOPHER.

Suddenly Summoned.

The friends and relatives, as well as the many acquaintances of George Butcher, were startled by the announcement of his very sudden death, Thursday afternoon, at the age of sixty-three years.

Mr. Butcher, generally a very healthy man, who gave promise of more than passing the allotted three score and ten, came down town early that morning attending to his errands as usual, and was preparing for work that afternoon. About 8 o'clock he was taken ill and, though medical aid was summoned, nothing could be done for him, and he suffered with paralysis of the throat until about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, when death relieved him.

Mr. Butcher has been a resident of the vicinity of Marion for a good many years, in fact his whole life was spent in Delaware and Marion counties. His funeral is announced to occur at his late residence Saturday at 10 o'clock.

Council Proceedings.

An adjourned session of the council was held Friday night, all members being present except McMurray and McNeal.

Ernst Zachman applied for damages by fire department during fire at National House. Referred to Fire committee.

Ordinance accepting dedication of John street, and an alley in Park boulevard was passed.

A resolution granting a permit to parties to put in a tile drain in Park boulevard, and dedication of an alley near creamery was referred to Street and Alley committee.

Some bills were approved and passed upon.

On motion D. & P. Kelly's bid for the east Center street improvement was accepted. Their bid was $6417.60, and that of D. Lawrence, $7411.

The solicitor was instructed to prepare contract with D. & P. Kelly for east Center street improvement, and the mayor and clerk to sign the same.

Council adjourned.

COVERED WITH ATTACHMENTS.

The Water-Works Property in Marion In the Hands of the Sheriff for Claims Aggregating Nearly $80,000.

Late Tuesday afternoon Sheriff Beckley selected Julius Strelitz and Robert Hopkins as appraisers and, after an appraisement of the property of the Marion Water-Works company—Samuel R. Bullock & Co., the same was attached for debts amounting to nearly $80,000.

The first suit was filed by the New Philadelphia Pipe Works company, whose claim is set forth as $25,947.04. This was followed by a suit by T. Fahey for $2500, and that was followed by one by Bryan & Prendergast Bros. for $101, and by W. & J. F. Prendergast for $184. Attachments were made in favor of all the suits, and the same appraisers served in each case, returning the property at about $35,000.

The suspension of Samuel R. Bullock & Co. is doubtless owing to a tight Eastern money market, and their inability to float the bonds of the many plants they are building. What the effect will be on the Marion works is not definitely known. The council contracted with the Holly Water-Works company to build the works and they sub-contracted with Bullock & Co., as the Marion Water-Works company. It is probable that the Holly company will have the works to complete, but there is not likely to be any very serious delay in the work of construction.

INCENDIARISM IN MT. GILEAD.

Attempt to Burn Out Dennis' Olentangy Club Rooms.

[Mt. Gilead Register.]

That there are incendiaries about Mt. Gilead has lately been proven. It stands as a mark of great discredit to our town that there have of late been several attempts made to burn property, but, fortunately, by chance the plot has been discovered in time to avert what would, no doubt, be a serious loss to the town. Of course nearly all are heavily insured, and the ones that are so heartless as to attempt to fire property would injure no one more than they would themselves in thus committing a crime for which the penalty cannot be too severe.

It was on Wednesday night that a small fire was discovered in the rear of the Olentangy club rooms, and had the fire gained little more headway before being discovered it would have, no doubt consumed not only the saloon building, but other frame buildings, and possibly some of our best business blocks. The small outbuilding in among other buildings, had been liberally saturated with coal oil and the fire started when by chance it was seen and extinguished. A close watch has been kept since and it is to be fine work if the guilty one who may attempt to apply the torch is not brought to justice. However much a person may be grieved over a business not in the line of reputable traffic, or however great may be the sins of the resort, the attempt to bring destruction in this way, by fire, is by far the greatest sin and a crime that is among the most hideous.

C. and A. Notes.

The annual meeting of the C. and A. directors and stockholders was held at Huntington this afternoon. It is the general impression that very few changes will be made.

Semaphores are being placed at all the water tanks on the C. and A. This will greatly facilitate matters and a much needed want is supplied.

Harvey Davis, a hostler at this point, damaged engine No. 4 by running into it with engine No. 11 while trying to pull it on the track. Mr. T. H. Edson the locomotive foreman put both engines on the track without any assistance whatever except that afforded by a wrecking jack.

A pump house will shortly be erected at Laketon. The water supply will be from Eel river.

Mr. Geo. W. Moses, mechanical accountant of the C. and A. R'y, passed through here recently enroute home, after spending two weeks in New York State.

C. L. Mayne, trainmaster, is taking a short vacation. O. F. Gross is officiating as trainmaster during his absence.

C. Levings, civil engineer, and A. S. Crane were in the city Wednesday, attending to matters connected with the company's business affairs.

Engine 58 has just been turned out of the shops, thoroughly overhauled and repainted. James Briney will take charge of the engine.

Joe Dill, passenger conductor, will shortly leave for his home in German Centre, Ill.

C. R. McCullough had a very severe attack of colic in Chicago Monday evening. A hypodermic injection was the only remedy that afforded him relief. We are glad to say he did not suffer after the first attack.

Passenger and freight business still continues heavy.

Probate Court.

Enos E. Irey and Libbie Graham licensed to marry.

Charles V. Rasey and Rachel Woolard licensed to marry.

Julius Butz and Katie Houseman licensed to marry.

Elmer F. Brelsford and Anna C. Uhl licensed to marry.

Greenville J. Lowther and Anna V. Emery licensed to marry.

Hearing of exceptions to accounts of Phoebe Washburn, as guardian of Elma Washburn, given Monday.

How They Attended.

The attendance at the State Fair was phenomenal Thursday, and Marion contributed her full share to the immense crowd. Agent Culbertson, of the C., H. V. and T., stood stamping tickets for nearly an hour that morning, the sales aggregating almost three hundred.

A train of eleven coaches was started as head section of the morning's train from Marion, and the rear two coaches were occupied by the employes of the Steam Shovel company, sixty of whom went.

—The fight for the execution of Kerr's will has found way to the Common Pleas court of Marion county. The question to be decided is whether the Marion Probate court has any jurisdiction in the matter.

ABOUT THE COUNTY.

NEWS GATHERED UP BY THE STAR'S HUSTLING CORRESPONDENTS

What Our Representatives See and Hear, Making a Complete Report of All That Is Interesting Throughout Marion County.

Clifton Station.

Everybody talks circus.

Corn cutting time is at hand.

Patsy Kelly was in town Tuesday.

Surveyor Bell was looking up his fences here Tuesday.

Several of our people attended the State Fair during the week.

Operator Campbell and another Bee Line man were in town Tuesday.

The LaRue gas well is getting down towards China. Look out for an illumination.

Candidates are getting to thick too be numerous, and all are confident of getting there Eli.

D. H. Clifton shipped six car-loads of wool from Ashley and two from Clifton to Philadelphia last week.

Joe Cotteral has moved to the Titus mills and Garret Postel has rented his property.

Uncle John Bain sold $800 worth of cattle last week. Mr. Bain is one of our most substantial farmers.

John Alexander, of Scott Town, has bought lots in Clifton and will build yet this fall. There is plenty of room for more.

Several of the old soldier boys attended the reunion at Kenton Tuesday. They report a big time.

It is reported that a certain democratic candidate from Marion is working the Knights of Labor racket big. We could name two or three democratic candidates that will not receive the support of quite a number in their party about here if nominated.

Milt Miller's new house is up and inclosed. Will Anderson, John Alexander and Mr. McCumber are getting lumber on the ground for new houses.

We were in LaRue Tuesday. The people are expecting to strike gas and a boom. Dr. Campbell has added to his store and enjoys the cream of the drug trade in that place. We also visited the Cold Spring creamery and was shown through by Sup't Tom Leonard. They are running every day and make a very superior article of butter.

Politics are waxing hot. If the principles shown by some of the wire pullers are democratic, we may feel justly proud that we are republican. Surely some of the attacks made upon the integrity and honest character of Mr. Scott, candidate for county surveyor, are shameful and most damnable and may react upon their perpetrators. Democrats in this community say they will stand by Scott.

D. H. Clifton has been solicited to come out for sheriff on the republican ticket this fall. Mr. Clifton is just the man to knock that democratic majority sky high. Several years ago he was the candidate for auditor, when success was entirely out of the question, but he cut the democratic majority over 400 votes. Things have changed since and he can be elected now.

Montgomery and adjoining townships have declared war upon the drive well agents. They held a big meeting at Chapel Hall last Friday night, four townships being represented. Everybody had blood in their eye. They decided to fight, and it is reported that the Agosta militia will back them up. If that is the case the drive well sharks nor the United States marshals want to do any monkeying around in this part of Ohio. The notices they received to go to LaRue last Saturday and pay up was unheeded. Not a cent did they get, and the drive well agents had to stand the landlord off for their board. That's right, stay right with them, boys.

Sept. 2, '87. JOE SPIKES.

Claridon—Adelaide.

Jack Frost visited us Monday night.

P. B. Williams is in Hardin county on a little speculating business.

Mrs. Carse Mozier, of Mt. Gilead, visited at Mr. Howser's last Friday.

Charles Lederman, of Marion, was in our village on Monday last.

Enoch Hoke was in this vicinity last week buying sheep.

M. C. Aye, having finished collecting Dr. Devore's book accounts, will return to Kansas City in a few days to join his partners, Messrs. Aye and Mozier, in the real estate business.

C. C. Owen, son of our merchant, made a flying visit to Claridon on Saturday afternoon from Agosta, where he is attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. Bishop, Mr. Gordon and Miss Stose, of Marion, visited at Claridon Sunday afternoon last, the guests of Dr. Devore and family.

A corn cutter, operated by two men and a horse, will be exibited on the farm of Samuel Adams this week by Messrs. Beringer & Lehner, of Marion.

We could insure a Chinese family full rations this winter is they could be persuaded to live here. We boast of rats in great profusion, though the number was temporarily diminished by the successive visits of twenty-three candidates during the last week.

Rev. Thomas lectured in the new M. E church Saturday night last to a large audience, on temperance. Though somewhat of an extremist on this subject, he is quite scientific and was listened to with much interest.

Robert Dunbar, formerly of this place, now of Altamont, Ill., is visiting friends in this vicinity. He has been absent twenty-four years and misses many faces that were familiar to him in the days of yore.

Dr. Lewis, of Mt. Gilead, was in town on professional business this week.

U. C. Mitchell, of Columbus, made a short visit here on Saturday last, the guest of Jacob Howser.

Gottlieb Fieselmer, living a short distance south of here, was kicked in the side by a horse on Tuesday evening, but was not seriously injured.

J. H. Owen is attending the State Fair.

Miss Mame Miller, of Lancaster, O., will return to her home Saturday, after a pleasant visit of four weeks with her cousins, the Misses Devore.

Hugh E. Smith writes from Alton, Mo., that he is greatly improved in health.

Martin Fetter, who lives a mile and a half south of here met with a very serious and probably fatal accident on Sunday morning last. While out looking over his fields, he attempted to step upon a small stump, but his foot slipped and he fell, striking his chest against a projecting splinter. Dr. Britton, who attends him, is doubtful of his recovery, owing to the intensity of his sufferings and the severe concussion to which the internal organs were subjected.

Siebert Adams, president of the Marion County Teachers' Institute, and W. A. Early attended the Teachers' Institute at Mt. Gilead last week. They report that it is not to be compared to the one held in Marion recently.

Misses Mame Miller and Flora Devore returned from a pleasant visit with an uncle of the latter, at Galion, Saturday.

Wm. Colmerry and wife, of Iberia, visited Mrs. Hattie Smith last week.

Dr. Devore has been quite indisposed for the last two weeks, but he is feeling some better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. George Williams will leave for Kenton, on Saturday, where they will visit George's sister.

Lew Ruhlman's ponies, during another playful mood, ran away last week and upset the buggy, throwing the occupant out. No serious damage resulted, however.

September 1, 1887. X.

Owen.

September comes in with fine weather, but the cool evenings and the frost Monday morning, which bit the corn blades, reminds us that winter is not far off.

Mrs. Wm. Stallsmith, who has been quite sick for some time, is but little better.

Grove Ritter, of Marion, was in town Sunday.

Mrs. Chris Cromer is visiting in Delaware, while Chris is attempting to soothe the weary delegates to the Democratic county convention.

Our citizens were highly entertained Sunday by the performance given by John D. Owens and John Priester. They attempted to drive John D.'s new Texas pony single, but the animal didn't choose to go that way. On Monday evening they decided to try again, and they hitched the pony to one of Dan Owen's stone carts and started for a drive. When near George Gooding's a linchpin came out and let a wheel off, and this made the pony so mad that he refused to bring the cart home, but the boys will tell you the particulars.

Last Tuesday evening the family of Frank Court was absent from home and upon returning found that some one had entered the house, and, supposing it to be burglars, they were somewhat frightened. Upon investigation the only thing missed was Frank's shot gun, and later they found that Lambert Ryder, Mrs. Court's brother, had come to borrow it and, not finding them at home, had helped himself.

Mrs. Osborn, of Marion, visited with her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Owens, Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. B. F. Shurz and Mrs. Noah Gast attended a birthday party at Frank Gast's, west of Prospect, Thursday evening.

A number of our people will go to Prospect tonight to hear Little Nugget.

D. McClosky, of Galia county, was in town this week and returned home Wednesday. He will move his family here shortly.

Elmer Williams is unable to work—suffering with neuralgia of the face.

Our Sunday school will attend the picnic to be held in Mounts' grove one week from today.

Our town promises a good crowd for the excursion to Presque Ile Park on Sept. 11.

A number of Green Camp people took the train today at this place for the State Fair.

Bert Grace and Adam Kile were at Prospect Sunday.

C. E. Sargent and Clate Welch, of Marion, passed through here Sunday on their way to Prospect to see the great fountain.

September 1, '87. ELMO.

Caledonia.

The weather continues dry, being very favorable for the threshing of wheat and oats and the abundant clover crop, cutting corn, etc., but not so with fall plowing for wheat, except oat stubble and corn ground. Without rain the output of wheat will be light.

Oscar Dexter and Barbara Griffith were married on the 25th of August, by Rev. Drollsbaugh, and nary a piece of cake did we get. Be true to your trusts, dear children.

John Tedrow, the assistant miller at the Eureka mills, has been sick for the past few days.

Lafe Hipsher's family are all improving except Mrs. Hipsher, who, at this writing, 3:15 a. m., is not expected to live.

Mr. Day was called to the bedside of his sick father, four miles east of Mansfield, last Saturday. He is now better.

Wes Campbell was brought home from Buffalo a very sick man, Saturday, and is improving very slowly.

Samuel Croft lost his youngest child last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Goldsmith, of Illinois, are visiting friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Sundayed with friends in Richland county.

Our school building is undergoing repairs and a general renovating this week by our faithful janitor. Schools open next Monday.

We had quite a frost on Sunday morning, but no damage that we know of.

Willie Lee will return to the Buffalo schools the 6th inst., and steps are also being taken by the more generous and sympathetic people to return Ferdie Ganshorn.

Charles Marggraf spent a few days in Galion with friends and the soldiers last week.

Many of our citizens took advantage of the low rates and visited the State Fair.

There were seven threshing machine crews in town at one time one day this week and no beer either, but they were jolly all the same.

Wm. Lafferty's house, on north Main street, is receiving repairs.

The office seeker is still a busy man.

John Cochran, while assisting John Anslement mowing weeds, received an ugly flesh wound on his foot.

George Place and family, of Paulding county, are visiting Hiram Hipsher and family.

September 2, 1887. FIDUS.

Agosta.

Their was a called meeting at Scott Town Saturday evening and a society organized called the Mutual Protective Association to protect one another from all manner of swhallers, royalty claims, etc. About 300 met as per call and proceeded to effect the organization by electing James Church as president, John Gray vice president, H. V. Davis secretary, Andy Jones treasurer, and Isaac Clark collector. They then enacted a set of rules and by-laws to be governed by, to wit: That each member subscribing his name to the by-laws shall pay fifty cents to the treasurer as a membership fee, and that each member shall, if necessary, be assessed on a bonus of three dollars, as high as twenty-five per cent. on said bonus.

Resolved, That if any member is sued, they will run it to the highest courts under Heaven and among men.

A more determined and orderly set of men never met for any purpose. They expect, however, to call on the entire county to join hands. There was a meeting in LaRue today at the Opera House. It will not be healthy for any of the within class to visit any of the named townships. We are informed that the collectors in LaRue were notified to leave town or take the consequences.

Wm. Gongway is having his stock scales overhauled and renewed.

Titus Bros. are shipping a lot of first-class sugar lumber.

Father Chambers and family have moved to our village from Union county. He is G. W. Corey's father-in-law. He is a very old man, and a democrat. It don't suit George.

Prof. Sharp and his assistants will commence the Public school in our village Sept. 5th.

Sickness has somewhat abated.

We have had two frosts this week, but no damage as yet.

Our factory is booming, with D. E. Cockley at the helm.

August 31, '87. J.

Parr Town.

Surveyor Bell was in our township last week and Sundayed at his father's.

We have two factions in this township for county offices, which makes it somewhat bad for outside aspirants to work up a delegation.

Joe Heckley, of Agosta, was in our vicinity on business last week.

Viola Oberdier, who has been staying northeast of Marion all summer, is visiting her parents in the southwest part of Bowling Green township.

Raub and Jones, who are the leaders of the two factions in this township for commissioner, are working the caucus business up so that we will have a young election here next Friday evening. Bowling Green against the world!

The investigating committee of the Harrisburg school house addition has been holding a daily indignation meeting. We think a final conclusion will be "comatable" about time to take in the Democratic county convention at Marion Saturday.

Frank Harper, of Essex, gave Lafayette Holt a visit last week.

Mr. Bainbridge, of Essex, was in these parts last week looking for a house to rent. We are not a bit backward in speaking in favor of Mr. Bainbridge.

There is an agent in this township looking up the drove wells, and there is a paper in circulation here, too, and all who sign it agree to test the well proceedings to the extent of $3 each. John Jones is down for sixteen drove wells as a starter.

A number of our farmers attended the Institute at Prospect last week. The main object was to electioneer.

August 30, 1887. TIM.

Prospect.

Quite an excitement was occasioned last Thursday evening in town by the report that a young married man, south of the village, had committed suicide. A doctor was soon in attendance, and upon examination discovered the fact that the young man had become intoxicated, and wishing to have some amusement, had fired a ball from his revolver into the ceiling. He soon recovered and promised to refrain from intoxicants hereafter.

Mrs. Emma Swick, wife of H. F. Swick, died last Saturday, after a few days' sickness of paralysis. Funeral occurred at the Methodist church Sunday.

A child of Thomas Sunderland died Monday evening.

The Gas and Oil company held a meeting Thursday night for the report of the Finance committe and other business.

Quite a number of our people attended the State Fair.

Our physicians are kept very busy, as many persons are sick.

The farmers are busy cutting corn and getting ground ready to sow wheat. There will be quite a large acreage of wheat sown in this vicinity this fall despite the low price.

The wheat crop in this township was excellent. Prospect township never fails on wheat. Corn is only a medium crop, being much injured by the dry weather.

A Mr. Kellar died Saturday morning and was taken to Fairfield county for interment.

The commissioners are having new flooring put in the bridge, which it has needed for some time.

A large crowd came over from Richwood Wednesday and had a picnic in Geo. Gast's grove, about a half mile south of town. Some of our young folks were present with them. They report an enjoyable time.

One of the greatest evils that infests our town at present is gambling. Quite a number of persons do nothing else. Betting is a vice that our sporting men do a great deal of. Hardly a day passes but we have some kind of excitement and reckless betting. This should be stopped.

At this writing Mrs. Watkins is suffering great agony. Her numerous friends are sorrowful.

The democrats of this township hold their primary meeting Friday evening.

J. W. Scott, candidate for surveyor, was in town this morning looking up his fences.

Our crack bicycle rider, Ben Sells, expects to attend races at the different fairs this fall.

Work on the gas well was stopped this morning at a depth of 1703 feet.

Sept. 1, 1887. M.

HURRAH FOR PAYNE.

The Veteran Shot at Last Knocks the Gun Club Out—Who Stole the Badge?

The seventeenth weekly contest of the Marion Gun club was held Thursday and resulted in favor of the silver-haired Payne. Perhaps the 'Squire's outlook for prosecutor made him feel good and he had only to raise his gun and fire and the inanimate birds flew hither and thither in an hundred pieces. Indeed, it is believed he could have made a perfect score if he had not desired to await and win greater laurels on another day. Holland was a close second, while Stone, Kling and Coon tied on the third position by breaking two out of every three. Below is the score:

Kling	1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 0 0 1 1	10
Lakins	0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1	9
Fies	1 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0	7
Harraman	1 0 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	8
Coon	1 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 1 1	10
Close	0 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 1	7
Stone	1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 1 1	10
Romoser	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 1 0 1	6
Holland	1 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 1	11
Payne	1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1	12
H. Holland	0 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 1 0 0 1 0	8
Bausinger	1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	2
Italian	0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0	4

After the shoot of course it was intended to present the badge in elegant style, but the coveted jewelry was nowhere to be found, and Mr. Payne was scarcely known as the winner for his modesty forbade him telling it. It is suspicioned that Kling and Stone conspired to have the thing spirited away until the next shoot.

Marion Markets.

The farmer will find the following prices paid for his products by Marion buyers, the list being corrected on Friday of each week:

Wheat	.68
Corn	.43
Oats	.25
Butter	18@25
Eggs	11
Lard	8
Cattle	3@3½
Hogs	4½
Sheep	3
Clover	4.30
Potatoes	.70

Teachers' Certificates.

The last class of applicants for teachers' certificates was a small one and only six of them passed, as follows:

Della Gray, Cochranton, one year.
T. H. Kennedy, Martel, two years.
Harry C. Auld, Iberia, one year.
Hattie Taylor, Norton, one year.
D. B. Uncapher, Marion, one year.
S. M. Auld, Iberia, one year.

BASEBALL NOTES.

Chicago is going to sign Petitt, of Waterbury, a catcher.

Right Fielder Polhemus, of the Indianapolis team, has been laid off.

Fogerty is gradually reaching the high water mark in batting.

Charles Daniels, manager of the Hartfords, will resume his old position as umpire.

The Hartfords forfeit $250 by disbanding. It would have cost pretty nearly $1,500 to have kept on.

Hecker's fielding average at first base, .980, is the best average held by any player in the Louisville team.

Buffalo has filed an application to fill the first vacancy in the American association; ditto Milwaukee.

"Jimmy" Peoples, the winning catcher of the Brooklyns, is doing excellent work at first base for that team.

Pitcher McCormick has lost more games than any other league pitcher this season, the number being seventeen.

The New Yorks have tried twenty-one, Detroits twenty, Philadelphias nineteen, Indianapolis eighteen players this season.

Pitcher Shreve, of the Baltimores, and Johnson, the Hartford right fielder, have been signed by Manager Fogal, of the Indianapolis team.

Manager Schmelz is already at work trying to arrange fall exhibition games for Cincinnati with Detroit, Chicago, New York, Boston and the other league clubs.

John Ward, of the New York club, has been spoken of in connection with the American association presidency. He would doubtless be a good man for the office.

The Lincoln (Neb.) team contains three of the men who were blacklisted in 1884 for jumping to the Union association. They are Dolan, Dave Rowe and "Orator" Shaeffer.

Hatfield, the Hoboken lad whom Manager Spence, of the Portlands, scooped up, has stolen 100 bases. He also leads the New England team in run getting, having scored 113.

President Hart, of the New Orleans association, believes the Southern league will be stronger next season than this, and that all the large southern cities will be in except Savannah.

The base running of the Kentucky club is led by Pete Browning, who has 50 to his credit. The Gladiator has also made 158 base hits this season, which tops the Association record.

The Louisville batteries are dubbed as follows: Hecker and Cook, the "head battery;" Chamberlain and Cross, the "scientific battery;" and Ramsey and Kerins, the "dynamite battery."

Since Hughes, of the Newarks, was hit on the head by a pitched ball, his effectiveness as a pitcher has been greatly impaired, and the club has been meeting with constant defeat ever since.

Pitcher Shaw, of the Jersey City club, resembles his namesake of the league. If allowed a good rest he pitches a phenomenal game, but if put in three times a week he is batted unmercifully.

The ministers of Brooklyn take great interest in baseball and many of the most prominent divines can daily be seen at the games in that city. Most of them are hard losers. They want to see the Brooklyns win all the time.

Johnny Ward ranks pretty well as a base runner. He can do about eleven seconds. His skill in base running lies in good starts and slides. About four years ago Ward, while in California, beat Tom Brown in a race. Brown, however, was not running fast then.

Jersey City people feel very proud of the members of the semi professional club which existed there in 1885. Hughes is making a great record for himself with Newark. Cuff was lately with New York. Burns, who is now out of the baseball profession, played first base with Baltimore. Mattimore is with New York and Fields with Pittsburg.

President Stern, of the Cleveland club, says that crowds at the American association grounds are officially overestimated. He says that on Decoration day in Baltimore, while the official count given out was 15,000 people, the Cincinnati club was paid its share of receipts on the basis of a few over 7,000 admissions. Here is a discrepancy of over 100 per cent.

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THE WEAVING OF TCHI NIU

There's a loom of wondrous power
That [illegible] fabric, silken spun,
Soft as the petals of a flower
Bright as the beams of the sun
As from the loom the fabric flows
[illegible] its lustrous shades unfold
[illegible] glow
In ever changing [illegible] of gold

There [illegible] from the gates of dawn
The [illegible] in royal state
[illegible] in chariots, dragon drawn,
And entering in the palace gate
And weaves in it its fitting dyes
[illegible] bloom
And there the pearl in oysters lies
The [illegible] its folds perfume
So a fabric [illegible] from each new day
With [illegible] hidden Tchi Niu wove,
[illegible] in long ago Cathay
With but the [illegible] touch of love

Poet [illegible] the tale of [illegible],
In words that haunt, in tones that thrill
Till [illegible] throng
As by a necromancer's will,
O whisper where the loom is hid,
And where the fabrics wrought of gold
And where the chest with carven lid
For whose [illegible] never old
—Times-Democrat

THE CLOAK OF TRUTH

In a far off corner of Eastern India there lived in the days when fairies still visited this earth a little girl whose name was Yuddi. Her parents were poor and had to work hard and continuously to gain even the small amount on which oriental laborers are able to support life. Poor little Yuddi's childhood was not very full of pleasure. For her were none of the toys and games that modern skill and ingenuity have fashioned to make the season of youth enjoyable.

A few naturally rounded stones with which a kind of game of marbles was just practicable and a bundle of rags which did duty for a doll were her sole means of amusement. And even these she had but little time to enjoy for as soon as she was strong enough she was required to help to weed and glean in the rice and grain fields in summer and in winter to assist her mother in keeping their hut—which was m[illegible] of twisted bamboo canes plastered [illegible] mud—in order. In the cold season [illegible] was occasionally sent to a school presided over by a wise old Brahmin Rhasta who for a few pice (as the smallest native coin is called) taught his pupils as much as their brains could absorb in the limited time they gave to study.

Many people think that India is a land where great heat prevails the year round. This is true only of certain of the southern parts but in the north where there are some of the highest mountains in the world and where farming is carried on in the valleys between lofty hills or upon very elevated plateaus the cold in winter and during the long rainy season is often intense. Poor Yuddi frequently suffered much from the bitter weather her clothing being thin and scanty while the walls of the hut and the loosely fitting doorway admitted a great deal of frosty air.

The dearest wish of her heart was for a large warm cloak in which she could brave the cold when she was allowed to go to school and wrap herself at night. Often and often she prayed that such a good gift might be sent to her, but for a long time in vain. She had heard a great deal about fairies who watched over good children yet the one who ought to have attended on her had never made herself known. With the sweet trusting faith of childhood Yuddi did not give way to despair but only strove to be a better girl believing that if her guardian had not come it was because she had not deserved the boon.

Late one night after Yuddi had been asleep for several hours she was startled from her slumber by a voice calling in the sweetest tone she had ever heard

Awake Yuddi and see what I have brought thee. The child sat up on her bed of dried rice leaves rubbed her astonished eyes which at length showed to her the most beautiful being she had ever seen. Yuddi knew at once that it was a fairy. It was not however such a creature as our western writers have told us of or that we see in pictures or upon the stage in pantomimes and spectacular plays. It was not dressed in white gauze nor did it have butterfly like wings and a magic wand. No this was an Indian fairy with a dark olive tinted skin and with bare arms and feet. Round the body was wound in numerous folds a scarf of some many colored material in which short threads of gold [illegible]. The [illegible] fell almost to the knees below which appeared loose trousers of semi transparent silver gauze. Round her wrists and ankles were massive rings studded with gems.

A single diamond brilliant as the Kohinoor itself—Queen Victoria's richest jewel—glittered on her forehead sustained by a narrow fillet of gold. From this seemed to flow a soft light which suffused the hut. Once when at the bazar Yuddi had seen a Nautch dancer who bore a faint resemblance to the fairy. That dancer had been till now her ideal of beauty but she saw at once how surpassingly lovely was the present visitor. Yuddi was not at all frightened but she glanced round with some anxiety to see if her parents were awake. They were sleeping soundly and Yuddi could not help feeling glad that she had this lovely visitor all to herself.

I am awake she said what can Yuddi the little daughter of [illegible] do to serve you?

Nothing child answered the fairy. I am come to serve you. You have longed for a cloak [illegible] I have brought you one and she held up before the girl's delighted gaze the most exquisite garment she had ever beheld. It was of the purest white lamb's wool and round the collar and edges were embroidered in letters of gold some of the wisest sayings of Brahma.

Is that really for me, my very own? cried Yuddi.

Yes my child if you can keep the conditions of the gift. This is the Cloak of Truth [illegible] who does not speak perfect truth. If the wearer [illegible] will appear [illegible] scarlet. Will [illegible]

[illegible]

I will, [illegible] Yuddi, who was so determined to deserve to keep the cloak that the last named conditions did not greatly trouble her.

Then let me place it round your shoulders and may all the Powers of Good grant you strength long to retain it.

With infinite gentleness and tenderness the fairy wrapped Yuddi in the cloak and laid her back upon the rustling couch. A moment later and all was dark and still. Folded in the warmth of her new covering Yuddi sank almost instantly into sleep. When she awoke again the morning was far advanced. Her father had long gone to his daily toil but her mother stood over her looking in wonder at the magic garment.

In the names of Brahma Siva and Vishnu exclaimed the wondering woman when she perceived her daughter to be fully aroused where did you get that cloak?

Then Yuddi told the marvelous story and the good woman who had a strong belief in the supernatural and who moreover had never had cause to doubt her child's veracity accepted it without a murmur.

You are indeed blessed my only one she said as she clasped her to her breast. Strive to retain the fairy's gift.

All that morning Yuddi was intensely happy but at the hour of noon her father came home to his meager dinner. He too, saw the cloak and was told its history. He scoffed at the tale and accused poor Yuddi of having found or stolen the cloak and then attempting to deceive him. The poor little girl was deeply wounded. Never before had her word been mistrusted. On telling the story the second time to one who was unsympathetic she began to realize how almost impossible it sounded. So later when she went out wearing the cloak and some children crowded round her and asked where she got it she unhappily equivocated. In an instant the dreadful word falsifier in the flaming letters of tell tale scarlet appeared upon her back. Her companions ran from her screaming with fear. Yuddi tore off the cloak and almost blinded with bitter tears rushed home and sobbed out her unavailing grief to her mother. That good woman comforted her as well as possible and tried to show the child that even if she had lost the cloak she had been taught a lesson which she ought never to forget.

Yuddi was however almost heart broken and it was only when her mother reminded her that she still owed a duty to the fairy that she roused herself a little from her sorrow. I will keep my word in that at least," she said. I will go to the good Rhasta my master and offer it to him. Without loss of time she sought the wise old man told her story and offered the cloak.

My child he said as he took it I will try to wear it. But I am old and know the world and men well. To few it can be given to be absolutely truthful. I fear I am not of those. Come to me in the morning.

When Yuddi returned Rhasta was no longer wearing the cloak.

I have lost it sooner than I expected my child. You know how poor I am and how few pupils I have. Last night the father of Rhum Gat came to me and asked how his son was getting on. I thought to myself if I tell him how hopelessly stupid Rhum Gat is, he will be taken away. I did not tell all the truth and I am punished for I have lost both cloak and pupil. When the father saw the word upon my back he said his son should come to me no longer.

Once more Yuddi took up her burden and went to the house of a rich and beautiful lady for whom her mother sometimes worked. This lady was charitable and good and Yuddi of whom she had often taken kindly notice almost worshiped her. When Yuddi had explained her errand and shown the wonderful garment the lady Aouda Singh accepted it rapturously and wanted to reward Yuddi for bringing it. The child would however accept nothing but thanks.

I am but keeping my word" she said. For so doing I must not want or take reward.

With a somewhat lighter heart she went back to her humble hut. Not many hours had passed when a bearer came running at his utmost speed to say that she must go at once to Aouda Singh.

On arriving there Yuddi was greeted curtly almost rudely by the lady.

Take back your hated cloak she exclaimed and never let me see the wretched thing again. I wore it to the bazar and bought some handsome garments that would go with it. I was, perhaps a little too extravagant and when my good lord asked me how much I had spent I did not dare tell him all. And when I named less than the true amount the dreadful scarlet letters blazed out. Take it away I say.

Again Yuddi resumed her quest for a wearer for the cloak. Among others she took it to a famous lawyer. Child have you come to mock me? he cried. I could not keep it an hour and do my best for my client. I might keep it an hour if I were asleep though I believe I sometimes talk in my sleep so even then I couldn't be sure of it.

Once more the weary search began. A wise woman famous for her herbs and medicines refused to try it. Did I tell some sick people the truth about themselves they would surely die when if I bid them hope there is a possible chance for them. If I told others of what my medicines are made they would lose faith in them. Take away your cloak.

Day after day poor Yuddi continued the task which she began to think was hopeless. Many took the cloak who had not wisdom enough to know that there was not the remotest chance of their keeping it even a few minutes. Tradesmen lost it through misrepresenting the value of their goods manufacturers through selling adulterated articles and even an artist who was famed as a seeker after ideal truth through wilfully attempting to improve on nature in his landscapes and by gross flattery in his portraits likewise lost it.

At last the despairing Yuddi [illegible] the king [illegible]

[illegible]

was for a time too frightened to speak. The king finally succeeded in reassuring her and she told her errand.

And so you think said the monarch that kings can be more truthful than other people? You never made a greater mistake. You are too young to understand all the reasons why we are compelled to falsify and deceive but I will tell you one or two. Sometimes I have to meet a neighboring sovereign who is jealous of me and of whom—with whom, perhaps I have been at war and who has killed thousands of my people yet I have to call him my loving brother. I have to put up with ministers I detest, because the people demand that they shall be in office. I have to tell my subjects that I know they will cheerfully pay taxes and vote supplies when I feel the doing so will make them suffer terribly. Go my child. Kings can speak less truth than their poorest subjects.

On leaving the palace Yuddi met an old old man—a kind of priest or dervish who frequently preached to the people and in the intervals of his preaching begged for enough to keep him alive. He was clad in the most wretched rags and as Yuddi passed he asked for something to get food and clothes. Immediately he offered him the cloak explaining upon what condition he could wear it.

I think I can keep it my daughter. Come to me to-morrow and see.

The next day Yuddi found him still wearing the cloak and with its spotless purity unsullied.

How is it that you alone have been able to wear this for a day? she asked.

I will try to tell you my daughter. I am very old and have no wants but food and clothing. When I ask for money for these I speak the truth. I ask no man to build me a house or a temple therefore I seek no more than my daily food. I have no friend whom I must flatter and no enemies I need fear. I have outlived all but my love for God and his creatures and I have no aim but to do good to them. I tell them that for their welfare here and hereafter they must refrain from evil and I call to them hourly to leave the wrong and seek the right. What reason have I to tell any thing but the truth? I thank you for your cloak and I hope to wear it till I die. —Julian Magnus in The Epoch

Sardines of the Brittany Coast

All along the coast of Brittany the people are for the most part miserably poor. They live almost exclusively by fishing and fish it seems are not to be relied on any more than men. Their habits are most irregular they take a fancy to a certain locality and then they leave it. They are creatures always of fresh excitement and adventure. This is especially the case with sardines upon which thousands of Breton fishermen mainly rely. Sardines can hardly be termed globe trotters but they are nevertheless inveterate tourists. While in [illegible] in their [illegible] for roaming they thoroughly believe in the advantages of social intercourse consequently, when they travel there are millions of them together. Some years ago they frequented the Brittany coast in such numbers and with such regularity that capitalists set up manufactories in various places for preserving these fish in oil. Thus they have been distributed all over the world in those boxes which are to be found in every ambitious dust heap.

Both alive and dead it is the destiny of the sardine to travel. For some unaccountable reason the sardine has during the last two or three seasons turned up its very fastidious nose at Brittany and instead of stopping at every bay on the coast as formerly has passed on to other regions. It is said that the coast of Portugal has been the one most highly favored by the vagrant and capricious fish since. The poor Brittany fishermen have been throwing up their hands in despair fervently praying for the return of the sardines. This year the prospect is much more cheerful —Cor Boston Transcript

A Story of Two Dogs.

A family fond of pets and superior to hydrophobic apprehensions had reduced their stock of household animals some time ago to two. One was a Scotch terrier young and of rare excellence and value having easily taken prizes at bench shows. The other was a black and tan, well on in life. I may not be entirely right in this description but preciseness of classification is not essential to the effect of the narrative. The two dogs were constant companions, and exhibited a strong mutual fondness. The Scotch suddenly sickened and died. That he was missed by his aged friend was evident. The family sent the deceased to a taxidermist who treated him so skillfully that the figure sitting in a lifelike position would at first glance deceive the most intimate acquaintance of the living animal.

When the work of restorative art was sent home and the black and tan was let into the room where it had been placed he manifested the liveliest joy rubbing up to the Scotch and licking her in canine fashion and finally lying down by her side to [illegible] according to his habit. For a long time he refused to go to his meal—a substantial sacrifice as his appetite was extremely good—because she would not accompany him and his food had to be brought to him. Finally having apparently turned the matter over in what serves dogs for a mind about which we really know so little he suddenly abandoned the case went about his own business and paid no further attention to the irresponsive Scotch —Brooklyn Eagle

A Queen's Funeral Tent

This funeral tent of an Egyptian queen—Queen [illegible]—found at Thebes was one article of a [illegible] outfit that consisted of [illegible] and statuettes of mummified meats, wine and fruits of ointment bottles alabaster cups, and of huge full dress wigs curled and frizzed. The tent was the covering of Queen [illegible] Khebs funeral galley. It consists of a canopy and two dependent [illegible] representing human figures [illegible]. The colors are varied and quite fresh —Harper's Magazine

A Heavy Load of Corn.

The corn crop now grown [illegible] about one [illegible] the United States [illegible] reaching half way around [illegible] the equator. If the [illegible] —Chicago Ledger

A writer in an exchange [illegible] Colorado [illegible] have seen an Indian [illegible]

In [illegible] course [illegible] imitate [illegible]

MARY JANE'S TRAVELS

SHE TELLS OF HER VISIT WITH DICKEY TO MILAN

But Begins Her Letter with a Quotation from Byron and a Good Deal of Talk About Venice—Milan a New Town That Once Was Old

[Special Correspondence.]

MILAN Italy Aug 5—When we were in Venice I saw the house in which lived at one time Lord Byron the man who could write a stanza to make an angel sigh then turn the sheet over and write one on the other to make the devil blush but I didn't see his real estate office. Yet he must have been in that business, for I find in Childe Harold canto iv stanza 1 these lines

I stood in Venice on the Bridge of Sighs.
A palace and a prison on each hand.

Judging from the appearance of the property they are on hand yet and his successor will have considerable trouble in disposing of them.

Very naturally the real estate business was dull in a city where real estate conveyances are made in a bucket or hose and Byron had time to write some poetry worth at least $1 000 a foot (poetry and land by the way are measured by feet) and what he said of Venice when he boarded there is yet very true in the main. This for instance

A thousand years their cloudy wings expand
Around me and a dying glory smiles
O'er the far times when many a subject land
Looked to the winged Lion's marble piles,
Where Venice sate in state, throned on her hundred isles.

expresses the situation approximately and it is a moral and physical impossibility to get up early in the morning and have half the day's work done before breakfast as we do in cities with less history. Venice needs bailing out more than any city I ever saw.

To refer again to Byron. He says And silent rows the songless gondolier." This is either a mistake or the old gondoliers have struck and a lot of imported ones have taken their places, for the Venetian gondolier is the very prettiest man and cheeriest in Italy. He dresses usually in a white duck suit (duck I presume, because he is a water fowl) jacket and bell buttoned trousers, with a bright scarf and a flying jibboom of a hat and as he gracefully balances himself on the deck of his black gondola (accent on the first syllable) he is beyond the peradventure of a doubt, the human idealization of a white winged dove roosting on a hearse. Nor is he silent, though he may be songless, for he swears [illegible] in pure Italian at the fellow who crosses his course and he tells you pianissimo from out of a wreck of English of this palace and of that and finally inveigles you into a ruined memory of a palace converted into an art store and gets a commission on a lot of [illegible].

They never sprinkle the streets in Venice. The reason is obvious.

St Mark's square is the largest piece of dry land in town and there in the evening are congregated all the people who can squeeze in on it. They go around and walk around and put in their spare time listening to the music and eating granite not the Belgian block or monumental variety but an ice spelling its name that way and pronounced "granita" by the soft voiced Italians. Granite by the way is a plain ice seasoned with lemon and there are as many more of the highly colored and highly priced varieties as the most [illegible] emotional and extravagant could desire. Ices are the beer of Venice but when you have unseasoned, untrimmed hard ice at your hotel you will find it in your bill.

Notwithstanding the fact that Venice is all water [illegible] the citizens have to bring their drinking water about twenty five miles from the country. Everything else almost comes from the same direction and marketing is [illegible] comparatively.

Bringing things from a distance reminds me of two facts worthy of mention namely the London Times which sells in London at three pence I believe is sold in Italy at one franc at least that is what the newsdealer asked me for a copy. In New York Harper's Monthly is sold for thirty five cents and in London the price is twenty five cents. Now what I want to know is if The Times increases in price at the rate of 333⅓ per cent. for every 1 000 miles east it goes, and Harper's decreases 33 per cent. for every 3 000 miles east it goes how long will it be until, or rather at what point will one copy of an ordinary daily English newspaper be worth a whole year of Harper's, bound in morocco with gilt edges?

Answers to this problem will be thankfully received if accompanied by stamps.

Of course you have heard of the "Lion of St Mark's." Well you ought to see it. By some calamitous [illegible] the poor brute got its tail knocked off and art and human [illegible] demanded that it have another and an [illegible] has but it doesn't fit and you may [illegible] the reader how the king of beasts must feel away up on a stone column with a tail on him like a scroll in a New York city paper.

I was greatly gratified when the guide told me they were going to take the lion down and [illegible] him over.

I have seen some narrow streets in the southern [illegible] and I thought them [illegible] narrower ones, but one day in Venice when it was raining (and Venice is very wet when it rains) I started out with my umbrella and [illegible] go through a narrow [illegible] had [illegible] and as I am a living woman my umbrella stuck in the passage and I had to shut it up before I could get through. If anybody doubts [illegible] I have an affidavit on file open to all comers.

Venice has numerous campaniles, or bell towers of great height and as far as I could judge by the eye not one of them is perpendicular. One or two look as if they would topple over at any time and if an earthquake should visit the place everything would be [illegible] to it so to speak. The fact however that the tower in St. Mark's has stood for an even thousand years is some assurance that a Venetian campanile has [illegible] to stay even if [illegible] foundations [illegible].

I think I referred above to the lion as the king of beasts. Indeed I am sure I did and [illegible]. A lady [illegible] has a husband in whom she is very unfortunate. This is not an unusual occurrence I believe [illegible]

[illegible]

as a circus wagon and looks like one that had tramped all summer and stood in the weather with [illegible] over it for two or three winters. The Doge's palace adjoining needs repairing badly and I am pleased to state that the need is to some extent being met.

Of the Bridge of Sighs and the prison I shall say little because so much has already been said. One is disappointed in their appearance today but the tears and the blood the torture and the treachery which has made them infamous and famous have fixed an indelible imprint, and what the flippant traveler may think and write now can by no possibility take from them the fearful interest they will always excite or remove from them the stains that give them a red letter page not only in Venetian history but in the everlasting history of mankind.

But I must talk no more of Venice. It lives in guide books poetry and story and there let those who wish to know more of it go. I am now in Milan a city as modern and commonplace as Venice is medieval and peculiar and I feel relieved once more after the antiquity and art of other Italian towns to get into this one which has set the past away to cool and prides itself upon its present and has hope in its future.

Milan used to be an old town but it is new now and with the possible exception of Turin is the most American city in Italy. Its cathedral is still the wonder of the architectural world though as it has been for hundreds of years and will be for hundreds to come but the number of advertisements I noticed on the old barn doors at the front of the elegant edifice was an indication to me that the spirit of the Nineteenth century had even pervaded these sacred precincts. The cathedral is a glorious structure but it is too much of a good thing. In a great building one seeks general effect rather than minute excellence and when one combines both the average observer neglects the lesser for the greater and a large part of the work is absolutely valueless from an architectural point of view. Little statues six inches tall stuck up on a pinnacle 300 feet above the ground can scarcely expect to receive due recognition and there are hundreds of these pigmy figures on the great cathedral. Every time I saw one I thought of a flea on an elephant and felt sorry for the flea.

In the interior however the cathedral excepting the imitation marble fret work in the ceiling arches met every requirement and I think no church in Italy this Promised Land of churches, can present an interior so grandly solemnly impressive as that of the cathedral at Milan. We went from roof to cellar and in the cellar we saw the eighteen carat sterling silver tomb of St. Borromeo with the saint's ghastly bones clothed in silks and jewels on exhibition. A priest showed us the interesting remains, and he put on a robe of white before he spat on his hands and began to turn the crank that lets down the lid and exposes the saintly ghastliness to view at five francs for the crowd. I do think it a shame that a corpse's bones are made to do dime museum duty in the finest cathedral in the world.

In the meantime I shall reserve my further remarks on Milan until some future occasion and Dickey says she is very glad of it.

MARY JANE.

Colorado Horses and Farms.

The horseflesh of Denver will compare in style and gait with that of eastern cities of similar size and there are some as fine turnouts here as you will see at Washington. Nearly every business man owns his own horse, and the Colorado roads are a natural macadam. They are hard and smooth and the drives taken are much longer than in the east. I believe these western men spend their money more readily than those of the eastern states. They make it faster and they work harder. Denver has all the luxuries of an eastern city and if her stores are an index her people buy just as expensive a class of goods as you will find anywhere. When a man makes a strike out here he begins at once to enjoy it and the result is that the amount of money in the country means more to the people.

The farms in this irrigated country are, as a rule, not large though sometimes they run into the tens of thousands of acres. About Greeley and in the country north of Denver they are generally from 80 to 200 acres, though some men such as Governor Eaton have as high as 8 000 acres. Among the crops produced is the alfalfa, a kind of clover which has roots from eight to fifteen feet long and of which there can be cut on well watered land three crops per year averaging two tons to the acre. The alfalfa does not need much water makes excellent feed and will produce for a number of years without replanting. This Colorado soil, Governor Eaton tells me is very rich. "It was," he says, "once the bed of a vast sea, and its fertilizing properties need only water to make them produce as bountifully as any land in the country." Land is, however, high, and water costs money. I doubt whether farming pays better here than in the eastern states, and it seems to me that Kansas and Nebraska offer greater inducements to settlers. The great thing Colorado has is its climate and this in many respects is excelled by no country on the face of the globe. Its arable area is limited and its mines will always be its greatest resource.—Denver Letter

What Has Made Wichita, Kan

What is there here to make a town?

Well, I will put the case as Wichita puts it. There is a country here as rich as any God ever made which is rapidly being settled, and which has already been taken up by an intelligent class of farmers. There are good schools, plenty of railroads many growing towns and a big trade. Kansas City is [illegible] miles away and Wichita hopes to be the supply point for a wide area of [illegible] Texas Arkansas [illegible] and the Indian territory. [illegible] growing part of the [illegible]. Wichita men also hope to make the town a manufacturing [illegible] at hand and no [illegible] and predict that it will [illegible] and commercial center of the territory. If all [illegible] present expectations [illegible] Chicago and I should imagine [illegible] Columbus, O [illegible] Kansas City [illegible] —Western Letter

The Public Debt.

The public debt [illegible] August [illegible] when it was $2 [illegible] two years.

Insuring the Aged

[illegible] plan [illegible]

In the case of the children [illegible]

[illegible] —New York [illegible]

The Curse on Shepherding

[illegible] the offering [illegible] vaquero [illegible] herder of sheep. The [illegible] have fastened [illegible] half breed [illegible] California.

The ranch [illegible] lonely [illegible] San Francisco [illegible] blankets and [illegible] until [illegible] —Stephen Powers in Outing

End of the Japanese Fashion

[illegible]

The Japanese have [illegible] —New York Mail and Express

The Beauties of Venice

[illegible]

W[illegible] and H[illegible]

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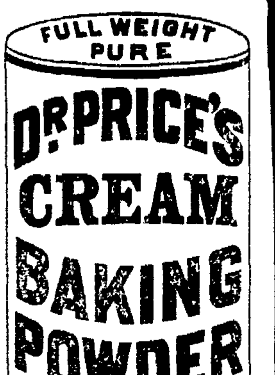

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[illegible] the Normandy coast [illegible] with villas and chalets from Hon[illegible] and right along to [illegible] peculative contractors [illegible] some new spot [illegible] few new paper paragraphs are [illegible] a fashionable resort for [illegible] up like mush[illegible] who are content to [illegible] take their places [illegible] sheep. Their [illegible] per diem as [illegible] board and lodging by mak[illegible] who arrive late for breakfast or [illegible] a fire and by subjecting such [illegible] candles or soap into [illegible] a momentary penalty [illegible] the dreadful [illegible] have befallen the [illegible] cobblers of the nursery [illegible] are passed along in [illegible] and they are charged ex[illegible] for liquids baptized with [illegible] the best Bor[illegible] but which [illegible] muster with the ex[illegible] of Paris. The [illegible] are supplied from the [illegible] every morning and the [illegible] is the only place [illegible] can be obtained for [illegible]

[illegible] owners of boarding [illegible] the privilege of inhaling [illegible] properly enjoyed especially [illegible] quickened [illegible] exudation of cold [illegible] price of food and apart[illegible] and the cost of [illegible] is equal to the [illegible] one for the rest [illegible] Paris. Revolutions have been [illegible] by the [illegible] of certain [illegible] clashed with [illegible] of the people but the French [illegible] lamblike humility to [illegible] of the grand [illegible] despoilers and [illegible] plied their ne[illegible] along the same sea coast —Cor. Philadelphia Times

Starved Into a Verdict

Jurymen are better off in these times than in the good old days when it was the law to endeavor to starve them into a verdict. [illegible] had enough now to be put to [illegible] of time and money with little or inadequate recompense without being starved or cheated in the bargain.

In the early part of the reign of Henry VIII Lord Chief Justice Reed tried an [illegible] when on circuit in which the jury were locked up but before giving their verdict [illegible] eaten and drank which they all confessed. This being reported to the justice he fined them each heavily and took their verdict.

In Hilary term [illegible] sixth Henry VIII the case came up before the full court of queen's bench on a joint motion to set aside the verdict on the ground of informality of trial the jury having eaten when they should have fasted and next term the one under the peculiar circumstances of the case. The jury averred that they had made up their minds in the case before they ate and had returned into court with a verdict but finding the lord chief justice had gone out to see a play and not knowing when he might come back, they had refreshment. The court confirmed both the verdict and the fine.

In Dyer's Reports a case is reported of a jury who retired to consider their verdict and when they came back the [illegible] informed the judge that some of them which he could not depose had been feeding while locked up. Both bailiff and jury were sworn and the pockets of the jury were examined when it appeared that [illegible] had about them [illegible] which [illegible] of them confessed they had eaten and the others said they had not. All were severely reprimanded and those who had eaten were fined [illegible] shillings each and those who had [illegible] were fined [illegible] shillings each but [illegible] them in their pockets—All the Year Round

Learning Patience

"Well are you [illegible] up for the season?" "Yes [illegible] to get in shape. I think I'll [illegible] the same the season [illegible]"

"What are you doing for yourself?"

"Whenever a particularly disreputable [illegible] comes along I make him so mad that he rages round and abuses me for [illegible] a wretch."

"Oh [illegible]. Going to umpire this season. [illegible] you intended to play in [illegible]. —Pittsburg Dispatch.

Too Bad Entirely

No [illegible]
[illegible] perhaps it would be better,
[illegible] gave me once a keepsake
[illegible] neither rich nor rare.
[illegible] I remember
[illegible] gay September
I was [illegible]
[illegible] at the fair—
[illegible] upon my vision
[illegible]
I am [illegible]
[illegible] for me there.
[illegible] babes,
[illegible] all it
[illegible] back—
[illegible]
[illegible] daughter
[illegible] square
All [illegible]